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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE GERMAN UPHEAVAL.

WORKERS UNITED AGAINST MONARCHISTS AND MILITARISTS.

London, March 17.
A telegram from Stuttgart, dated yesterday and obviously not censored in Berlin, declares that the real test is not between Ebert and von Kapp, but directly between the Militarists and Monarchists and the workers, and that von Kapp has succeeded in virtually uniting all the German workers, the decision of the Prussian railway engineers to strike until von Kapp has retired being most important. Furthermore, the Saxon railwaymen are striking for eight days and the Württemberg railwaymen have joined in. It is reported that the Bavarians have followed.

Latest reports show that the general strike in Germany is the most complete stoppage of work ever experienced there. Fighting between the troops and workers continues to be frequent. The death-roll at Dresden is now 59.

The *Daily Express* says the reports that von Kapp has resigned and the revolution collapsed appear likely to be premature. Nevertheless, there is a general view now that the Militarist plot is not succeeding.

THE REVOLTERS' WEAKNESS.

Berlin, March 16.
Herr von Kapp's Press Agent has informed Reuter that there was a great Bolshevik danger. The announcement is generally regarded as a preliminary to the regime's retreat. The Agent has warned correspondents against appearing in the streets, as a Communist revolt is expected.

The general strike threatens to deal the revolutionaries a mortal blow, coupled with the decisive fact that the revolutionaries have no political prestige and their power depends on machine-guns.

It is estimated that 18 were killed in the streets of Berlin on the 15th instant.

A SOVIET REPUBLIC?

London, March 17.
The *Frankfurter Zeitung* publishes news from Berlin that von Kapp and General von Lüttwitz have offered unconditionally to resign as a result of the Independent Socialists' ultimatum to establish a Soviet Republic.

(Other Early and Special Telegrams on Pages 2, 4 and 5.)

OUR PEKING LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Peking, March 10.
Not the least interesting feature of Chinese politics during the past few days has been the struggle between the Prime Minister and the Anfu members of the cabinet. The Anfu Club is extremely dissatisfied with General Chin Yung-peng, who, since his appointment to the Premiership, has evinced a dislike for military government and has constantly come into conflict with the majority of his former associates and members of the Club are doing their utmost to force his resignation. As a matter of fact he did resign, but was induced by the President and by Marshal Tuan Chi-jui to reconsider his decision. On resuming office he declared that he would be prepared to continue, an announcement which was tantamount to defying the Anfu Club to do its worst. The Club did try its worst because none of the Anfu ministers attended the meetings of the cabinet, hoping thereby to create a deadlock which would force the General to capitulate. This struggle, which continued for more than a week, aroused almost nation wide interest, and then it ended in favour of the Premier. The Ministers of Communication and Justice attended yesterday's meeting, and the absence of the Minister of Finance was said to be unavoidable, so that the crisis is ended for the present. Apparently the Anfu Club did not like the array of opposition which was asserting itself. A new league of tuchuns has been formed against the Anfu party, and the latter deems it prudent not to force the issue at present, preferring to wait until it has ascertained the strength of the movements directed against it.

The first definite statement on the subject of the Poochow incident was made today when it was announced semi-officially that an unofficial exchange of views had taken place between the Japanese and Chinese Governments. No official negotiations had been opened, but it is expected that they will be commenced shortly in Peking and Tokyo simultaneously. Needless to say the issue of these negotiations will be eagerly awaited throughout China because Chinese believe that their attitude in this matter

will be a helpful guide as to her wishes in respect to Tsingtau.

Inquiries made in official circles to-day evoked the answer that the Chinese Government, in recognition of public opinion, had decided not to enter into direct negotiations with Japan regarding the return of Tsingtau. This does not mean that a formal decision to this effect has been reached by the Cabinet, but rather it indicates the views which are entertained, it being obvious to even a cabinet minister that the Chinese people are united in their opposition to a course which would spell disaster for China. As is well known, there is much loose talk and loose thinking on this question. Many argue that the matter should be left to the decision of the League of Nations. But there is no League of Nations. Neither is there any certainty that such a body will be set up for some considerable time. In these circumstances the matter must be postponed indefinitely. To that it is replied that China has everything to gain by not seeking to hasten a settlement. Inasmuch as Japan is accumulating troubles and problems at home and abroad.

It is worth while noting that China has established a position in respect of the Chinese Eastern Railway which could never have been possible had it not been for the collapse of Russian authority in the East. The administration of the railway has been re-organised. General Horvath is no longer manager and director. He is simply a member of the Board of Directors which has now four Chinese and three Russian members. On the first Board China had only one member and even then China declined to participate even to that extent.

There has been much talk about Bolshevik designs upon China, but Peking is not greatly alarmed at the prospect. So far there has been no invasion of Chinese territory, and the authorities are informed that the Bolshevik leaders in the East express good will towards this country. At any rate, beyond reinforcing the rather weak frontier garrisons, China has taken no military measures and does not anticipate any necessity for such measures against Bolsheviks. China is prepared to align herself with the Powers in their attitude towards Bolshevism. It does not seem to be the terrible nightmare that it was a year ago.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

SEQUEL TO WARDER SPEED'S MURDER.

At the Criminal Sessions to-day, presided over by the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice H. Gompertz, Mok Sing, alias Ching Kwong, was arraigned on the indictment of murdering Warder Speed on December 15, 1919.

The prisoner pleaded guilty.

The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., Attorney General, appeared for the Crown and Mr. F. C. Jenkin defended the prisoner.

The Chief Justice (to the Attorney General):—I take it that you will assume that the prisoner has pleaded not guilty and proceed with the case?

The prisoner:—It is no good calling for the jurors. I have nothing more to say. The reason why I went to gaol was on account of poverty. I had to go and rob.

The Chief Justice:—Tell him this is not the time to make a statement. There will be jurors called, and if he wishes to object to any individual the prisoner can say so.

The following jury were empanelled:—Messrs. B. de Vera, J. M. O. de Remedios, M. Maas, H. E. Maslin, Wong Kum Fook and Lum Chi Lok.

Mr. M. Maas, who applied for exemption, was told by the Chief Justice that as most establishments in the Colony were short-handed the applicant had better take his place with the other jurors.

The Attorney General, in outlining the facts, said that the prisoner was one of the gang who broke out of gaol in December last. In the course of that break-out two men were murdered—Warder Speed and Assistant Warder Nam Singh. The jury were only concerned with the murder of Warder Speed in the present case. One of the four men was convicted in January and executed. That, of course, did not prevent the conviction of another man. This was what was called a "common design" case. The Attorney General said he could not prove in this case who actually attacked Warder Speed. Apparently two men did it. The evidence would show that the prisoner was not one of those two. The Attorney General quoted Archbold, Page, 1369, which stated that if several persons combine for an unlawful object and if one of them murders a person everybody who was with the assailant with the object of effecting any object of the meeting would be guilty. These four men set out with the deliberate intention of murdering one of the warders whom they had to pass in their escape from their cells. It was a common purpose for breaking out of prison. Prison breach was felony. The prisoner in the case was serving seven years for kidnapping. Whether it was murder or breaking from prison, the prisoners had a common design.

The hearing is proceeding.

DAY BY DAY.

In the Open Billiards Championship of the Colony, Mr. S. Gray and Mr. S. K. Kwok will meet in the semi-final at 8 p.m. at the V.R.C. to-night. Mr. Gray, on his recent brilliant form against Lieut. Golding, rules a slight favourite, but Mr. Kwok is a young player who, when once set, is a rapid scorer and is expected by many to be able to hold his own. The winner is to play Mr. Yanovich in the final on Wednesday, in a game of 1,000 up, to commence at 6 p.m.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY
Theatre Royal.—Marie Tempest in "The Duke of Killcraffie"—9.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre.—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre.—9.15 p.m.
TO-MORROW.
Coronet Theatre.—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre.—9.15 p.m.

MARINE COURT.

ENGINEER IN TROUBLE.

C. J. Kirkpatrick, second engineer of the s.s. *Fau Sang*, was charged this morning in the Marine Court, before Captain Basil Taylor, R.N., Marine Magistrate, at the instance of Mr. C. E. Holmes, engineer superintendent of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. Ltd., with absconding himself from his ship without leave within 24 hours of the ship's sailing from the Colony at 7.30 a.m. on the 12th instant.

The case was remanded and bail of \$100 allowed.

OTHER CASES.
Four boat owners were charged with unlawfully plying for hire within 300 feet of a Japanese man-of-war in Victoria harbour on the 10th instant.

They were fined \$5 each.

The master of the motor boat *Europe* was fined \$15 for failing to exhibit the regulation lights whilst under way at 12.30 a.m. on the 10th instant in Victoria harbour.

The defendant told the Court that his light was burning properly when he left the steamer. The wind blew it out and he did not notice it.

The master of the steam launch *Logan* was charged with failing to carry the regulation lights whilst under way in Victoria harbour at about 4 a.m. on the 8th instant and with wilfully neglecting to stop his launch when required to do so by a Police officer.

P. C. Langley said that on the 8th instant at 4 a.m. he was going from Junk Island and saw what he thought was a sampan sailing rather fast. On his putting on his glass he made her out to be a steam launch with white lights fore and aft, but no coloured lights. The master apparently saw him for, having before been steering to the north, he altered his course and went full speed down the south fairway to east. Seeing that, witness followed and went in among the junks and circled round back into the south fairway. The launch was then a hundred yards off. Witness then saw that the launch was showing no lights at all. Witness cut in and closed to 75 yards and blew four whistles. The defendant did not stop, but went alongside the Tung On Wharf, where witness saw some one land and make off. He caught the launch as she came astern and searched her, but found nothing.

The defendant said he had proper lights burning. He did not extinguish any lights. He did not hear the first four blasts. The second he did and stopped and waited for the Police launch. He was fined \$50.

AMERICAN WEDDING.

AT UNION CHURCH.

Of particular interest to the American community was the wedding which took place at the Church at noon to-day. The bride was Miss Beryl Troxel, daughter of the late Mr. D. H. Troxel, and Mrs. Troxel of Oakland, Cal. (U.S.A.), who arrived in the Colony from America by the s.s. *Nanking*. The bridegroom was Mr. H. C. Page, of the local agency of the Standard Oil Company, son of the late Mr. E. K. Page and Mrs. Page of Rochester, N.Y. (U.S.A.). The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald performed the ceremony, while Mr. Starling officiated at the organ. The bride, who was given away by Mr. W. D. Kraft, was attired in a costume of painted blue georgette, with hat to match. She carried a bouquet of white roses. Mrs. E. T. Singer, who was the matron of honour, was attired in a dress of pink georgette and she carried a bouquet of sweet peas. The bridegroom was supported by Mr. Holman Scott, as "best man."

Following the ceremony, which was attended by a large number of friends, photos were taken of the wedding group outside the Church.

SCHOOL BOXING.

GOOD DISPLAY AT KOWLOON.

When in the speech which he delivered at the recent annual distribution of prizes at St. Joseph's College His Excellency the Governor made reference to the advantage of the possession of a healthy mind in a healthy body, by the "practice of the noble art of self-defence," his remarks did not fall on sterile soil. It is to the credit of Mr. Franklin Nightingale, Headmaster of the Kowloon British School, that he should be the first headmaster in the Colony to introduce the pugilistic art into school life, and the tournament, on Saturday, receiving, as it did, the whole-hearted support and co-operation of the Governor and the officials of the Hongkong Boxing Association, was as much a successful affair as the efforts of the boys themselves could make it. Though it cannot be said that these boys are Jimmy Wildes in the duplicate, still their efforts deserve every praise as tending towards the general improvement of their capability in the art.

Of course, when a boxing event of the importance attached to that of Saturday, took place the leading lights and figures of the Hongkong boxing world, naturally gathered together. There were His Excellency the Governor, whose keen interest in the proceedings was an encouragement to the boys to display all their knowledge of the art; Mr. E. A. Irving, the Director of Education, Mr. Tinson, Mr. F. C. Jenkin and other officials of the Boxing Association; Mr. Sky Kerrison, who refereed in some of the contests, and Mr. Thomson, whose tutorship was evidenced in the splendid contests witnessed in the course of the evening.

There was a large number of pupils of the School who took part in the thirteen events which made up the programme. Mr. Miles and Mr. Clark refereed the two first fights, and Mr. Kerrison "carried on" with the rest. Be it said that they were called upon to do but little refereeing, as the boys themselves were possessed of that broad view of the sport which precluded all the unpleasanties of the ring. The ring itself, installed in the main hall of the school, which was constructed by Mr. W. Davison, ably assisted by Messrs. Jenner and Gregg, was a very fine one.

His Excellency having to leave before the tournament was over, the prizes were given away to the winners by Mr. Irving, who also, on behalf of the school, presented Mr. Thomson with a cigarette case as a recognition of the interest he took in the training of the boys.

The Headmaster, in the course of a speech, made the pleasant announcement, that Mr. Kerrison had offered to give special prizes to H. Martin and L. Owen who tied in the light-weight contest.

Master S. Rosser, drew general attention by the pluck he showed after fighting his way to the final in the fly-weight contest. He had to retire from the final contest, because of a damaged thumb. This was not of his own accord, as he wanted to carry on, but at the request of the Headmaster. Recognition of his pluck was made in the form of a special prize presented to him at the distribution.

Following are the results of the contests:—
Bantam-weight.—R. Wittchell beat J. Clarke; A. Kinross beat H. Mackintosh; G. Dale beat W. Matchin. Kinross beat Dale. Final.—Kinross beat Wittchell.
Feather-weight.—C. Cropley beat C. Collett; S. Rosser beat J. Collett. Rosser beat D. Ogilvie. E. Murphy beat Cropley.
E. Murphy who was to have met Rosser, was declared winner, as Rosser had to retire owing to an injured thumb.
Fly-weight.—J. Murphy beat D. Stevens.
Heavy-weight.—B. Rasmussen beat J. Cropley.
Light-weight.—H. Martin v. L. Owen. This fight was declared a draw.

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APPEAL TO HONGKONG.

We have received the following for publication:—

Sir,—I wish to appeal to your paper on behalf of the Shanghai Refugee Relief Committee to do something towards putting before the Hongkong public the position here in respect to the influx of destitute refugees from Siberia. These people—Russians, Poles, Finns, Estonians, Letts, Rumanians, etc.—have been carried to Shanghai from their distant homes by the tides of war and revolution, and by the thousand different chances, hindrances and compulsions that rule human destiny when the moorings are parted.

One man was telling me yesterday that two years ago he was within a few miles of his home; if only he could get there his troubles would be over. But those few miles were death: it would be madness to attempt them, and so the better way seemed to be further east, and yet further east, and so on until he had reached the furthest east. But here the hopes that had held him up all through have deceived him unless some friendly hand is stretched out for there are no means of obtaining work in Shanghai whereby he can earn enough to carry him on, and all that remains for him is to starve or go back to the hell from which he has escaped.

And this is not the real tragedy after all, for this lies in the family and the women. Driven out on the long trail like herded cattle, ravished by every will stronger than their own that chance brings along, until such happening becomes an accepted condition of their unstable lives and the only means of solving the difficulty of living, harassed by disease, starvation and threatened massacre till spewed out by remorseless fate at our doors, some with minds unbroken and all at odds with the world, is it any wonder that some of these poor creatures are scornful of all principles of good; distrustful of mankind and antagonistic to their social orderings? For myself, I only marvel that they have held on to the good in themselves so well.

These are the men and women for whom we appeal. We are doing what we can to help re-establish them as useful citizens or at least save them from a worse fate, and have raised over \$20,000.00 to this end. We have fed over 90 people a day for the past two months, and have paid whole or part passage for some 120 of them to places so far distant as London, Canada, Odessa and Australia. Also to this end 41 others have been sent forward as crews of ships. But the tide is flowing our way still, and we need more help if we are not to be overcome by it.

We appeal, therefore, to all who really desire the reconstruction of this old world of ours, and whose sympathy means more than idle words and cheap platitudes, to help us with funds if they cannot do so in other ways.

Yours etc.,
GILBERT E. PEET.
Donations may be made payable to the Hon. Treasurer, Shanghai Refugee Relief Fund.
Shanghai, March 16 1920.

EXCHANGE.

Exchange to-day was very firm, business between Banks having resulted at 34d. over the official rate.

Shanghai was a penny up to-day, although locally there was, on opening, no alteration over the rate of Saturday.

The Chinese here sold this morning about two million dollars worth of Straits bills, against gold shipments, at six points over the official rate. There is a strong demand for the American gold dollars from Calcutta, where those coins are being retailed at Rs. 60, and in Singapore at Straits \$35. The price of the "double eagle" in Hongkong is \$21.45.

The rate on New York today is 97, being 114 points over the closing rate of the week-end.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 5s/11d.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast:—Fair. Barometer:—29.86. Temperature 2 p.m.:—68. Humidity 2 p.m.:—83.

DYNAMITE.

SMUGGLING FROM EMPRESS BOAT.

A complicated plan to smuggle 576 sticks of dynamite ashore from the Empress of Asia as she lay in Kowloon docks, was frustrated by the officers of the ship yesterday. As a permit was necessary to board the steamer, the smugglers endeavoured to overcome the difficulty by the production of a false pass which bore these rather mysterious words:—"Please pass bearer with candles for change—R. K. Johnson." This communication was shown to the Head Wharfinger, Mr. Tucker by one of the smugglers, a Chinese painter. By this means he secured the necessary permission to go on board with five youthful assistants each of whom carried a basket for the reception of the "candle." From some hidden source in the steamer they loaded up the baskets with the dynamite, but when they were about to make their departure the officers of the ship made inquiries which revealed that there was no such person as "Mr. R. K. Johnson" on board the vessel. This intelligence being conveyed to Mr. Tucker, he detained the smugglers and sent for the Police. It appears that the elder smuggler then gave information to Inspector Brown, as a result of which another painter belonging to the same shop as the other man was arrested. Both men at the Police Court to-day made statements in which they endeavoured to explain away the fact of their being in possession of the false pass and the explosives. They were sentenced to six months' hard labour. The five boys were not charged by Inspector Brown. The order was given by the Magistrate for the forfeiture of the explosives.

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A CLEVER AND VERSATILE PARTY.

Those who want an evening of real, unalloyed enjoyment, in which good music and piquant humour are admirably blended, cannot do better than to see the Humphrey Bishop Company at the Victoria Theatre. This very talented combination, which would have played at the Theatre Royal had it been available, made its initial appearance on Sunday night and is to be with us for only two nights more. Theatre-goers well remember Mr. Humphrey Bishop's former visit, and it can be said that the company which he is now heading is just as good and versatile.

Last night's programme opened with excerpts from "Il Trovatore," for which there was a special stage setting. The individual and concerted numbers were all splendidly done, the chorus work being particularly good. In the second part of the programme, the members of the Company appeared as a pierrot party and each in turn gave great delight to those present. To-night's attraction will be extracts from "Faust" and further vaudeville items. It is a really fine show, and no-one should miss it.

DOCTOR'S DEATH FROM MEASLES.

The death has occurred at Hull of Dr. Peter A. Killackey, senior casualty house surgeon at the Royal Infirmary, at the age of 27. He entered upon his appointment at Hull only in January. Dr. Killackey contracted measles while attending a young patient and pneumonia supervened.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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THE GERMAN COUP.

London, March 11.
The French Military Mission at Berlin has refused to receive communications from General Lüttwitz. The French Consul-General at Mayence will go to the Headquarters of the old Government and follow events. The following is from the "Daily Mail": The War Council, presided over yesterday by Marshal Foch, decided to move up guns and infantry to be ready to advance.

German events are regarded by the French newspapers as a vindication of French judgment and a knock-out blow for President Wilson. The Berlin Government is recognised everywhere as Hohenzollern camouflage and several newspapers call for action as distinct from words. France, however, receives the news quite calmly recognising that Germany cannot possibly go to war again for years.—Havas.

Collisions took place between crowds and regular soldiers in various suburbs of Berlin. The latter used rifles and machine-guns and a number of persons were killed and injured.

Berlin, March 12.
The Treasury has refused to honour Herr Kapp's request to disburse ten million marks for current expenditure and to pay the troops. It is estimated that sixty were killed in yesterday's street fighting. Maximilian Harden has been arrested.

London, March 12.
It is pointed out that the claim of the Kapp Government for expert or professional Ministers centres round the indeterminate expression "Fachminister" assumed by Kapp. He aims at the appointment of permanent heads of departments who will be members of the House of the State and not parliamentarians.

Copenhagen, March 12.
Conflicts continue to be reported from many centres of Germany between the Civic Guards supporting Ebert and the troops supporting Kapp and there are numerous casualties. The French Government has sent a diplomatic representative to the Ebert Government at Stuttgart.

Berlin, March 12.
Grenades were exploded on March 12 before the headquarters of General Lüttwitz. Meanwhile there are reports of street fighting with troops in many parts of Germany but there are no signs of anything of capital importance.

London, March 12.
Following the generally accepted report of an agreement between the Kapp and Ebert Governments, Ebert's denial has caused great surprise. Evidently the Ebert Government, now at Stuttgart, consider their position strong. Ebert and Noske have appealed for support of the imperial territory. Ebert also claims to have safeguarded communication with all parts of the commonwealth. On the other hand the Kapp Government is taking drastic action in Berlin and has decreed the death penalty for ringleaders of strikes and instituted strike pickets. Noske and Koch (Minister of the Interior) have issued a decree prohibiting the circulation of the Kapp Government proclamations. There have been serious encounters between troops and crowds in Berlin in which many were killed and injured.

Stuttgart, March 12.
The Ebert Government denies any agreement with the Kapp Government and declares it will make no agreement with rebels. It demands the retirement of Kapp and his associates. The National Assembly is convened to meet at Stuttgart on March 17.

London, March 12.
A Copenhagen message from Berlin states that the Kapp regime has issued a declaration generally confirming the Altona programme and adding further that with the following differences. It declares that a new Cabinet will be formed, comprising professional men and including Ministers of the old regime. The new and old Governments will issue a manifesto condemning a general strike as a crime against the people. The declaration states that negotiations have just begun, adding that until a decision is taken Kapp has ordered the under-secretaries of State to carry on ministerial affairs. It is understood the under-secretaries have resolved not to take any orders from the Kapp regime but to remain at their posts and conduct business according to the programme of the Ebert Government. Meanwhile confirmation of the agreement from the old regime has not been received.

London, March 12.
It has authoritatively stated that large reports from Germany stating it is hoped the country democratic majority and socialist parties will form a provisional government at Berlin to carry on affairs till definite arrangements are made with the old government at Stuttgart. The resignation of Herr Kapp was doubtless due to the fact that his position had become impossible owing to popular disapproval, the refusal of the old government to negotiate, the unavailability of many of his troops, and growing disorder. Many officers in Berlin had stated they had been tricked into supporting the coup d'état and announced their adherence to the old government. The most serious factor is the attitude of the Independents who refuse to co-operate with either government except on terms amounting to the establishment of a Soviet Republic. Grave troubles are expected all over the country owing to the revival of the Spartacist movement.

In the House of Commons, replying to Commander Kenworthy, Mr. Lloyd George stated there had been no communication before the coup d'état between Allied representatives in Germany and the leaders of the Coup d'état. In view of the rapidly changing situation in Germany at present the Government did not consider any fresh statement of policy possible. The matter was under further consideration. He gave an assurance that the government and the Allies intended to see that the Peace Treaty was observed.

KING FEISUL ACCLAIMED.

Cairo, March 12.
A message from Damascus states that members of the Syrian Congress visited the palace on 8th March and offered the crown to Feisal who accepted it after which, attired in Field-Marshal's uniform, he drove amid the acclamations of crowds to the Municipal Palace where he mounted the throne. There were cries of Long live the King.

Abdulla, brother of Feisal, has been proclaimed King of Iraq.

London, March 12.
In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Ormsby-Gore, Mr. Lloyd George stated that Britain and France had informed Emir Feisal that they were unable to recognise the decision of the Damascus Congress. Feisal was invited to come to Europe to state his case.

THE PRINCE'S TOUR.

London, March 12.
London gave the Prince of Wales a wonderful send-off from Victoria on his tour in Australia. A crowd of many thousands in its eagerness to bid farewell to the Prince at close quarters broke through the cordons. Their Majesties said Goodbye to the Heir at the station where many members of the Cabinet and other notables assembled. The train left amid deafening cheers for Portsmouth where the Prince, embarked on the cruiser Renown. Reuter's correspondent aboard the Renown reported that the party departed late this afternoon.

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EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents).
SUDDEN DEATH OF JUSTICE
EARNSHAW.

Singapore, March 20.
The death has occurred at Ipoh of Mr Justice Earnshaw, the judicial Commissioner, who had been attending the Appeal Court and was in his usual health on Thursday.

THE WEISS MYSTERY.

Shanghai, March 21.
The Coroner's jury sitting in the inquest upon the death of Mr. Weiss returned an open verdict on Saturday night, that death was caused by a bullet wound, in the head, or with a razor by cutting his throat, self-inflicted or committed by unknown murderers. A Japanese barber testified that Weiss brought the razor to his shop for honing. Police Inspector Reeves testified that the bullet which had killed Weiss was not purchasable in Shanghai.

NEW BANK FOR SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, March 21.
A new Chinese-American Bank has bought valuable property on the Maloo (Nanking Road) at a cost of two lakhs, east of Messrs. Hall and Holtz' premises.

LADY OWNERS' RACING VICTORY.

Shanghai, March 21.
Miss Alice Herlofson was the first lady owner winner at Shanghai Races, "Willie" Hill being the jockey.

Y. M. C. A. DRIVE.

Shanghai, March 21.
The Y. M. C. A. membership campaign has ended with total subscriptions of over \$45,000.

DISEASE AT SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, March 21.
There have been many cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis here believed to have been brought in from Kashing where the disease is reaching alarming proportions. Shanghai drug shops are not stocked with the serum. Dr. Stanley (Municipal Health Officer) announces that the municipal supply is sufficient.

GENERAL NEWS.

THE SOLENT TUNNEL.

The Isle of Wight Chamber of Commerce recently received a letter from Mr. Frank J. Aman, the leading promoter of the scheme for connecting the Isle of Wight to the mainland by a tunnel under the Solent, stating that the arrangements for the proposed tunnel were proceeding satisfactorily, and that it might be desirable in the course of the month to call a special meeting of the Chamber to support the undertaking. The Chamber agreed to call a meeting if required, and also passed a resolution urging the London and South Western and London, Brighton, and South Coast Railways to run a quicker service to the island for the convenience of visitors and traders.

SLUMS AS A CAUSE OF UNREST.

Sir Kingsley Wood, M.P., Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Minister of Health, recently opened a Garden Villages Conference at the Town Hall, Croydon. The conference, which will last for several days and is being attended by delegates from all parts of the country, will discuss the chief functions of garden villages, particularly in relation to the Government housing scheme. Sir Kingsley Wood said that at least three million people were to-day living more than two in a room, a large proportion of them in cities. Bad and insufficient housing was the cause of half the discontent in the country. The abolition of slumdom was a vital object of housing reform. If we were to have self-supporting, as well as a healthy, country, we must encourage the garden village.

NOTICES.

To make appetites glad—
every day in the year.

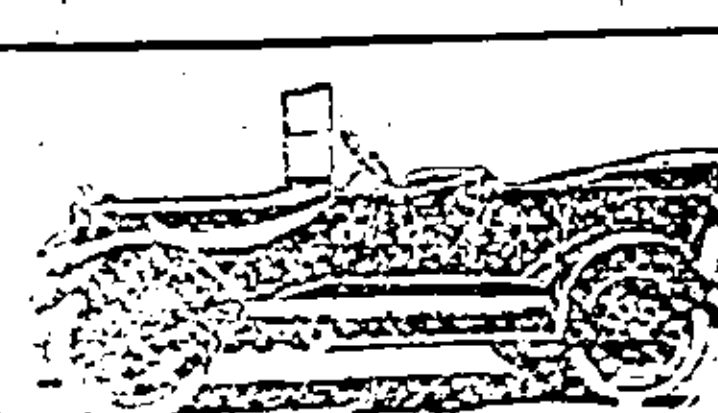
The R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF ASIA" having arrived from Vancouver with the following goods in Cold Storage.

FRASER RIVER FRESH SALMON	per lb	80cts
SELECTED KIPPERS		30cts
COD FILLETS		50cts
FINAN HADDIE		50cts
SMOKED SALMON		80cts
BACON "SHAMROCK" Brand		\$1.00
ORANGES	each	10cts
GRAPE FRUIT		10cts
APPLES, YELLOW NEWTOWNS	per lb	25cts
APPLES, WINESAPS		25cts

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

LOWNEY'S AMERICAN
CHOCOLATES.

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EVENING DRESSES, AFTERNOON
GOWNS, SMART COSTUMES &
SPORTING APPAREL.

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FOOK LEE & CO.,

always in stock, large quantities of

Tinplates, Wire nails, Pig Lead, Pig Iron, Steel Plates,
Black Sheets, Galvanized Wire, Galol Sheets, Yellow
Metal Sheathings & etc.

Telephone

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4. Durability and ultimate economy are assured you?

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Our services carried with it our ABSOLUTE GUARANTEE.

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High-class complete House Furnishings, General Upholstery, etc., etc., etc.

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HONGKONG

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In association with
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In a Repertoire of
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NIGHTLY at 9.15 p.m. sharp.

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MORROW NIGHT

(Monday & Tuesday),
March 22nd & 23rd
The Delightful Romantic Comedy

THE DUKE OF
KILLICKRANKIE

By Captain Robert Marshall.

WEDNESDAY & THUR.,
MARCH 24th & 25th
COUSIN KATE

By Hubert Henry Davis.

FRIDAY, MARCH 26th
OUTCAST

An Indictment. By Hubert Henry
Davis.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27th
Mrs. DOT

By W. Somerset Maugham.

MONDAY, MARCH 29th
AT THE BARN

By Anthony Wharton.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30th
LAST
NIGHT

Henry Arthur Jones' Famous
Comedy

MARY GOES FIRST

Prices: \$6, \$5 & \$3.
Plans at MOUTRIE'S.

Management: WILFRED COTTON.

NOTICE.

Will Mr. C. J. Kirkpatrick, late
2nd. Engineer of S.S. Fau Sang
communicate with Mr. G. R. Hay-
wood, Solicitor No. 10 Des Voeux
Road Central.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD
PROPERTY

to sold in one lot by Public
Auction on

TUESDAY

the 6th day of April 1920 at
3 o'clock p.m. at his Sales Rooms
at No. 6 Duddell Street, Victoria
Hongkong.

by Mr. Geo. P. Lammert,
Auctioneer.

The property consists of:
All that piece or parcel of
ground situate at Victoria Hong-
kong registered in the Land Office
as Section D. of Inland Lot
No. 968 together with all the mes-
sage and premises thereon
known as No. 65 Wyndham Street.
For further particulars and
conditions of Sale

Apply to
Messrs. Wilkinson & Co.,
Vendor's Solicitors,
No. 9 Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong
or

Mr. George P. Lammert,
Auctioneer

No. 6 Duddell Street,
Hongkong.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned has received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction on

Wednesday, the 24th March
1920.

commencing at 11 a.m.
at his Sales Rooms, Duddell
Street

65 kegs White Lead
52 kegs White Zinc
60 kegs Red Lead
50 kegs Black Paint
8 Yellow Ocher
83 tins Copal Varnish
33 tins Damar Varnish
42 tins Boat Varnish
21 drums Raw Linseed Oil
83 drums Turpentine
11 tins Soft Soap
111 tins Black Sapan
3 Rolls Rubber Sheets
etc. etc. etc.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.
Geo. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction on

Monday, the 29th March 1920.

commencing at 2.45 p.m.
at No. 2 Mountain View,
the Peak

A Quantity of Valuable House-
hold Furniture

(Full particulars from catalogue)
On view from Sunday, the 28th
inst.

Terms: Cash on delivery.
Geo. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received
instructions from Messrs.
Thoresen & Co. to sell by Public
Auction on

Tuesday, the 18th May, 1920.

commencing at 3 p.m.
at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

The Steamer "DAGMAR"
as she now lies in the Menam
River, Bangkok, with all her
machinery, gear and appurten-
ances etc.

1457 tons gross Reg.
921 tons net Reg.
1800 tons deadweight capacity
on 17 feet mean draft
Speed 10 knots

This steamer went ashore in
the Gulf of Siam, was salvaged,
and towed to Bangkok, where she was
dry-docked and patched up.

Inspection orders on application
to the East Asiatic Co. Ltd.,
Bangkok.

The steamer to be at purchasers
risk after fall of hammer, when
purchase money is to be paid.
For full particulars apply to

Geo. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Messrs. THORESEN & CO.
Hongkong.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received
instructions from Mr. J. H.
Gardiner to sell by Public
Auction on

FRIDAY

The 26th day of March 1920,
at 12 o'clock noon
at his Sales Rooms, Duddell
Street

The Steam launch "Tina" as
she now lies in Causeway
Bay together with all her
machinery, engines, tackle, ap-
parel, furniture and equipment
on board, subject to the con-
ditions of sale thereof. Her
dimensions and tonnage are ap-
proximately as follows:—

Length 75 feet.

Breadth 14 feet 8 inches.

Depth 7 feet 6 inches.

Gross Tonnage 51.46

Registered Tonnage 34.99

Inspection orders and full
particulars on application to the
undersigned or Mr. Gardiner.

The steam launch to be at
purchaser's risk after fall of
hammer.

Geo. P. LAMMERT
Auctioneer.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Fifty-first Ordinary Meet-
ing of Shareholders will be held
at the Offices of the undersigned
at Noon on TUESDAY the 30th
instant.

The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from the 16th
to the 30th instant, both days in-
clusive.

JARDINE MATHEWSON &
CO., LTD.

General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance
Company, Ltd.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1920.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction on

Thursday, the 25th March, 1920.

commencing at 2.30 p.m.
at his Sales Rooms, Duddell
Street.

A Quantity of Valuable
Household Furniture.

Comprising:—

Morocco covered corner couch,
easy chairs, carved cherrywood
curio cabinet, teak flower stands,
teak occasional tables, dining
chairs, carpets, rugs, pictures,
vases, ornamental teak writing
tables, marble clocks, electric ceil-
ing & table fans, brass flower pots,
electro-plated ware, electric radi-
ator & toaster, double & single
teak & iron bedsteads, teak dress-
ing table, washstand & chest of
drawers, silk cushion, teak cup-
boards, etc. etc.

Also

A Few Pieces of Very Fine
Canton Blackwood Ware

Comprising:—

Tapestry covered drawing room
suite, card table, opium stool,
silver cabinet, corner whatnots,
teapots & flower stands etc.

On view from WEDNESDAY
the 23rd inst.

Catalogue will be issued.

Terms: Cash on delivery

Geo. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction on

Friday, the 26th March, 1920.

commencing at 2.45 p.m.
at No. 17 Humphreys Building,
Kowloon

A Quantity of Valuable House-
hold Furniture

comprising:—

Very finely carved blackwood
couch, silver cabinet, chairs,
stools, teak hatstand and music
cabinet with bevelled mirrors
case, curtains, electric ceiling
and table fans, electric fittings,
engravings, ornaments, carpets
and rugs etc. etc.

Teak extension dining table
and chairs, teak sideboard and
dinner wagon with bevelled
mirrors, teak card table and
occasional tables, roll top desk,
crockery, glassware, cutlery, etc.
etc.

Double and single brass and
iron bedsteads, teak double and
single wardrobes with bevelled
mirrors, teak marble top dressing
table and washstands, teak couch
and chairs, toilet set etc. etc.
including one very fine camphor-
wood Bedroom Suite.

Also

Pots plants, bamboo blinds, pan-
try & kitchen requisites

And

1 American Ice Chest

On view from Thursday, the
25th inst.

Catalogue will be issued.

Terms: Cash on delivery.

Geo. P. Lammert,
Auctioneer.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG CLUB.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH YEAR-
LY GENERAL MEETING of the
Members of the Hongkong Club,
will be held in the Club House
on MONDAY, March 29th, 1920,
at 5.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. H. P. HAY,
Chairman.

Hongkong, March 19th, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the
Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Share-
holders will be held in the Office
of the Company, 2 Queen's Build-
ings, Hongkong, on Saturday 27th
March 1920 at noon for consider-
ation of the Directors' Report and
Statement of Accounts for the
year ending 31st December 1919.

The Share Register and Trans-
fer Books will be closed from the
19th to the 27th March 1920 both
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1920.

NOTICE.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING
CO., LTD.

THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of the Share-
holders of the above Company will be held
at the Offices of the General
Agents, Pedder's Street, on
Wednesday the 24th instant at
11.30 a.m. for the purpose of
receiving the Report and State-
ment of Accounts for the year
ending 31st December 1919.

The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from the
10th to 24th March, both days
inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
General Agents.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN
& MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

The Twenty-third Ordinary
Annual Meeting of Shareholders
in the Company will be held at
the Offices of the Company, St.
George's Building, No. 6 Con-
naught Road on SATURDAY the
27th March 1920 at 11 a.m. for
the purpose of receiving a State-
ment of Accounts and the Report
of the General Managers for the
year ending 31st December 1919
and electing a Consulting Com-
mittee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from SATUR-
DAY the 20th March 1920 until
SATURDAY the 27th March
1920, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE ASSOCIATION OF
EXPORTERS & DEALERS OF
HONGKONG.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the
Members of the ASSOCIA-
TION OF EXPORTERS &
DEALERS OF HONGKONG
will be held on TUESDAY
March 30th 1920, at 4 p.m.
precisely, in the CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE ROOM, CHAR-
TERED BANK BUILDING, for
the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and
Accounts of the Committee
for the year ended 31st
December, 1919.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General
business.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1920.

NEW
ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all
persons who are, or have at any
time been, members of the Hong-
kong Police Reserve to FORTH-
WITH RETURN ALL GO-
VERNMENT UNIFORM AND
EQUIPMENT which has been
issued to them to Central Police
Station Store at the following
times:—

Monday—Fridays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

E. D. C. WOLFE.

Captain Superintendent of Police,
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG
YACHT CLUB.

Members are hereby notified
that the Commodore's and Vice-
Commodore's Cups for racing
yachts together with the Cham-
pionship winners' presented Cups
will be sailed for on Saturday 27th
inst. The Closing Cruise will
take place on Saturday 10th April.

By order,
H. S. ROUSE,

Hon. Sec. Sailing Committee.

NOTICE.

VACUUM OIL COMPANY.

Effective from date, the Power
of Attorney heretofore held by the
undersigned, covering S. with
China, Philippine Islands, Coch-
China, Siam, Straits Settlements
and Dutch East Indies will be
held by J. H. GONGDON

(Signed) J. H. GONGDON
General Manager.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC
CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that
Certificate for 4 Shares Numbers
20985-20988 issued on 11th March
1889 in the name of Ip Fing
Kwan, has been declared lost
and should the same not be pro-
duced before the 31st inst., the
same shall be deemed cancelled
and of no effect.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
Agents.

Hongkong, 13th March, 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Co.'s Steamer
"LYCAON"

are hereby notified that the Car-
go will be discharged into Holt's
Wharf, Kowloon, where it will
lie at Consignees' risk. The Car-
go will be ready for delivery
from Godowns on and after 16th
March.

Optional cargo will be landed
unless notice has been given prior
to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
ed goods are to be left in the
Godowns, where they will be
examined on any Tuesdays and
Fridays between the hours of
10.45 a.m. and noon within the
free storage period.

No claims will be admitted
after the Goods have left the
steamer's Godown, and all Goods
remaining undelivered after the
22nd March, will be subject
to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer
must be presented to the under-
signed on or before the 5th
April, or they will not be
recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be
effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1920.

ADVERTISE YOUR WANTS.

WHAT YOU WANT SOMEONE HAS—WHAT YOU
'DON'T WANT SOMEONE ELSE DOES.

ONE CENT PER WORD PER INSERTION

Two Cents if not Prepaid.

A SMALL ADVERTISEMENT IN THESE COLUMNS
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WANTED.—Position by an Ex-
perienced Shipping Clerk having
a good knowledge of Import and
Export Book-keeping and Bank-
ing. No objection to outposts.
Apply Box 332 c/o "Hongkong
Telegraph."

APPOINTMENTS WANTED.—
Three British Army Officers, at
present in Hongkong awaiting
demobilisation, desirous of set-
tling in North China, are open for
interview with the managers of
Commercial Houses with a view
to obtaining business positions
with good prospects. All three
have had good business experience
before joining the Army.—Replies
to Box 333 c/o "Hongkong Tele-
graph."

WANTED.—Lady Typist and
Stenographer. Apply to Shewan,
Tomes & Co.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—Cole 7 seater car
in good condition. Equipment
complete. Apply: Shewan, Tomes
Garage Tel. 659.

NOTICE.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG
GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE is hereby given that
a General Meeting of the Mem-
bers of the above Club will be
held at the Office of Messrs
Jardine, Matheson & Company,
Ltd., Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong on the 23rd of March
1920 at 5.15 p.m. to consider the
financial position of the Club and
other matters as detailed in the
notices posted in the Club pre-
mises at Happy Valley, Fanling
and Deep Water Bay.

NOTICE is also hereby given
that at the same time and place
certain Resolutions as detailed in
the notices posted at the Club
premises at Happy Valley, Fanling
and Deep Water Bay will be
proposed as Extraordinary Res-
olutions. Should they or some
of them be passed they will be
submitted for confirmation as
special resolutions to a further
extraordinary general meeting
which will be subsequently con-
vened.

By Order of the Committee,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1920

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG GENERAL
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the
Members of the HONGKONG
GENERAL CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE will be held on
MONDAY, March 29th, 1920 at
4 o'clock precisely, in the
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
ROOM, CHARTERED BANK
BUILDING, for the following
purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and
Accounts of the Committee
for the year ended 31st
December, 1919.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General
business.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1920.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—Two Belliss and
Morcom Triple Expansion 400
H.P. Engines, direct coupled to
250 K.W. Direct Current Gener-
ators or 75 cycles Alternators
complete with three Boilers, Con-
densing Plant and Economiser.
Full Specification can be obtained
at the office of the Hongkong
Electric Co. Ltd., St. George's
Buildings. The Plant may be
inspected at the Company's
Works at North Point by arrange-
ment with the office.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—One Sulzer Diesel
Engine 300 H.P. direct coupled
to a 200 K.W. Alternator. Full
Specification can be obtained at
the office of the Hongkong
Electric Co. Ltd., St. George's
Buildings. The Plant can be in-
spected at the Company's Works,
Wing Fung Street, Wanchai.
The Company are prepared to
accept an offer for the Engine
without the Alternator.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that an EXTRAORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING of the
Members of the Hongkong Club
will be held in the Club
House, Connaught Road Central,
Victoria, Hongkong

NOTICES.

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Libby's



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Regular monthly service from

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Amsterdam, Rotterdam, and Hamburg, Bremen

Sailings subject to alterations.

For	Steamer	Loading
Rotterdam & Hamburg	"TITAREM"	about end of May
Amsterdam & Hamburg	"BATJAN"	about end of June

For full particulars please apply to

JAVA CHINA JAPAN LYN

General Agents,
York Building.

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(Royal Packet Navigation Co. of Batavia)

THE STEAMSHIP:

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will be despatched on the 1st April, 1920, to:-

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This vessel offers excellent cabin-accommodation for saloon passengers.

Wireless Telegraphy.

For freight and passage apply to:

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LYN,

Telephone No. 1874.

Agents.

CONSIGNEES.

THE ADMIRAL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"ELKTON"

having arrived from Seattle via ports, on March 17th, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on March 22nd, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after March 24th, will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

U. S. SHIPPING BOARD.

EMERGENCY FLEET CORPORATION.

PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1920.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"BENAVON"

From MIDDLESBRO, LONDON and STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godowns Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1920.

KILKENNY BALL OUTRAGE.

MOTOR-CARS HELD UP BY MASKED MEN.

Dublin, Jan. 13.—An outrage which occurred in County Kilkenny last night may probably be traced to the strike against the Irish Government's Motor Permits Order. The strike has now extended from Dublin throughout the south and west of Ireland, where motor traffic is at a standstill. On the other hand, Belfast and the greater part of Ulster raised no objection to the permits, and motor traffic is being carried on there as usual.

Last night Mr. St. George, resident magistrate, gave a ball at his house near Freshford, County Kilkenny, invitations for which had been sent to many of the county farmers. At a place named Trayswood, within a mile and a half of Kilkenny City, armed and masked men held up no fewer than six motor-cars which were taking guests to the ball. The procedure adopted in all the cases was the same.

When a car arrived at the spot where the men were assembled, it was stopped, and its occupants were ordered in a field while the engines were destroyed. Many shots were fired during the night, but no one appears to have been injured. The armed men built a barrier of stones across the road, so that they had no difficulty in stopping the cars as they came along. Four of the damaged cars had been hired, and were driven by their owners, who had taken out permits. The fifth belonged

to Major Loftus, and the sixth to Sir Hercules Landgrish, of Knocktopher Abbey. When the outrage was reported to the police in Kilkenny a strong body of men was sent to the scene, but up to this evening no one had been arrested. This evening another mail car was held up and robbed, and a number of letters were torn and scattered along the road. The mails, which left Thurles, County Tipperary for Kilkenny at 6 o'clock, were stopped at a place named Bachelor's Hill by three masked men, who carried revolvers. They cut the mail sacks, tore open many of the letters, and threw them on the road. They may have expected to find money in the mails, but they failed to get any and they took nothing away. Before leaving they warned the car driver not to stir for an hour, saying that there were armed men behind the hedges. The driver, having collected the letters and mail bags returned to Thurles and reported the affair.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 4.)

HIGH PRICES.

London, March 18. In the House of Commons in the debate on high prices Mr. Asquith said the revenue should be used for the reduction of debt rather than for sheltering the consumer from the prevailing prices. He advocated calling an International Economic Conference, including our late enemies, as a means towards increasing production and thereby reducing prices. He charged the Government with wasteful administration and demanded departmental retrenchments and the freest trade with Russia.

Mr. Clynes declared that the Government had utterly failed to deal with profiteering by combines which controlled eighty per cent. of our commodities.

RELIEF FOR POLAND.

New York, March 11. The Associated Press correspondent at Warsaw says the United States Liquidation Board has agreed to sell to Poland surplus army stores to be delivered at Danzig on six years credit at five per cent. interest. Poland will thereby obtain clothing for two hundred thousand men, locomotives, forty-five thousand trucks, five million pounds of oleo margarine, and one hundred thousand tons of flour and oats. The transaction does not imply that the United States will support Poland.

ADMIRAL SIMS'S CHARGES.

New York, March 12. Admiral Sims, continuing his evidence before the Committee investigating the conduct of the Navy in war time, declared that the Navy Department was to blame for the loss to the Allies of half a million boxes, two and a half million tons of shipping and fifteen thousand million dollars through failure to act promptly against submarines.

FREIGHT RATES RAISED.

New York, March 12. Freight rates on foodstuffs to England on British vessels have advanced from forty-five to seventy-five cents per hundred pounds. There are three hundred million pounds weight of products awaiting shipment.

STERLING IN AMERICA.

New York, March 12. Sterling continues to rise and has reached 242.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN MEXICO.

Mexico City, March 12. In a fire at El Bordo mine in the State of Hidalgo, 136 men are missing.

SOUTH AFRICAN ELECTIONS.

Cape Town, March 16. The sweeping gains of Labour have created an extraordinary situation. It seems certain that a second election will be necessary shortly as no possible combination of parties will be able to form a Government. It is anticipated that the Unionists returned will be twenty-five and the Ministerialists, say, forty-five.

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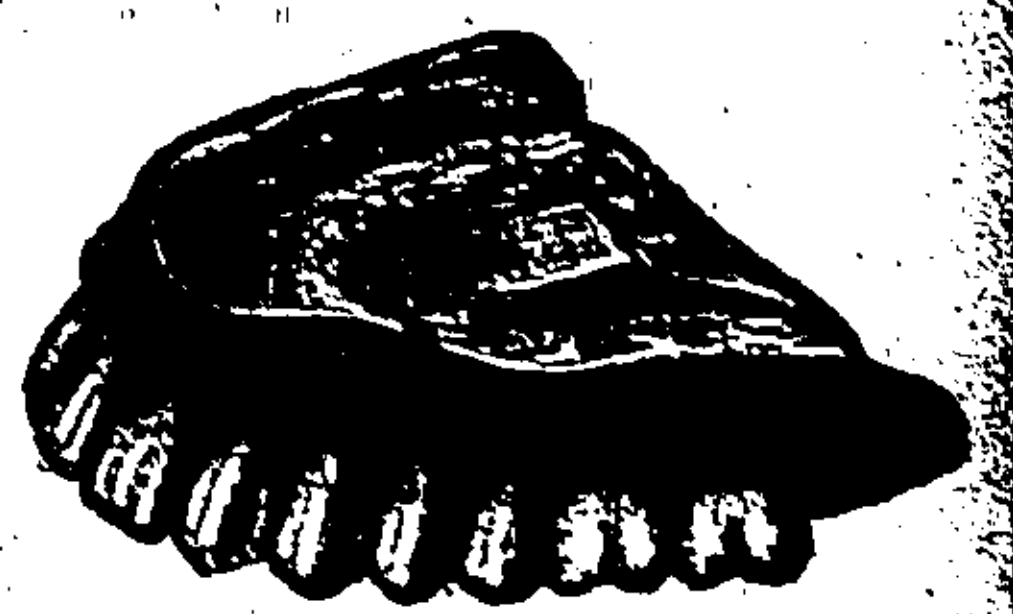
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

IRISH CRIME.

London, March 18. In the House of Commons, replying to the Hon. Mr. Walter Guinness, Mr. Ian Macpherson stated that since Jan. 1, 1919, eighteen Royal Irish Constabulary, six Dublin police, two soldiers, and one other government servant have been murdered in Ireland while the murders of 65 constabulary, 17 Dublin police, 4 soldiers and 3 other government servants had been attempted and there had been 25 attacks on police barracks.

London, March 18. The military made a nocturnal raid at Queenstown and arrested eight men and lads in their beds. They were conveyed to Cork goal.

EMPIRE DAY.

London, March 19. Empire Day parade, suspended since 1914, will be resumed on May 21 when Prince Albert takes a salute of the Guards at the parade ground in Hyde Park. The 64 flags of the Empire will be carried in a procession by cadets.

CHINESE RIOT AT VICTORIA.

Vancouver, March 12. Eight thousand Chinese coolies homeward bound from France rioted at Victoria. Two thousand escaped from the cantonment, some of whom have been rearrested.

THE EX-CROWN PRINCE.

Amsterdam, March 16. A Dutch torpedo boat has arrived at Wieringen to watch the ex-Crown Prince.

CHANGED VIEWS IN ITALY.

London, March 16. The "Times" states that since his return to Rome M. Nitti has telegraphed the Supreme Council insisting on a revision of the frontiers of Hungary which the Council recently decided not to change to which the Italian Foreign Minister assented.

ITALIAN CABINET RECONSTRUCTED.

Rome, March 16. The Nitti Cabinet has been reconstructed. Nine Cabinet Ministers have been replaced. Signor Nitti is Premier and interim Colonial Minister and Signor Scialoja retains the Foreign Ministry.

ROME-TOKIO FLIGHT.

Rome, March 12. The five S.V.A. aeroplanes mentioned earlier have arrived at Simia-del-dalle.

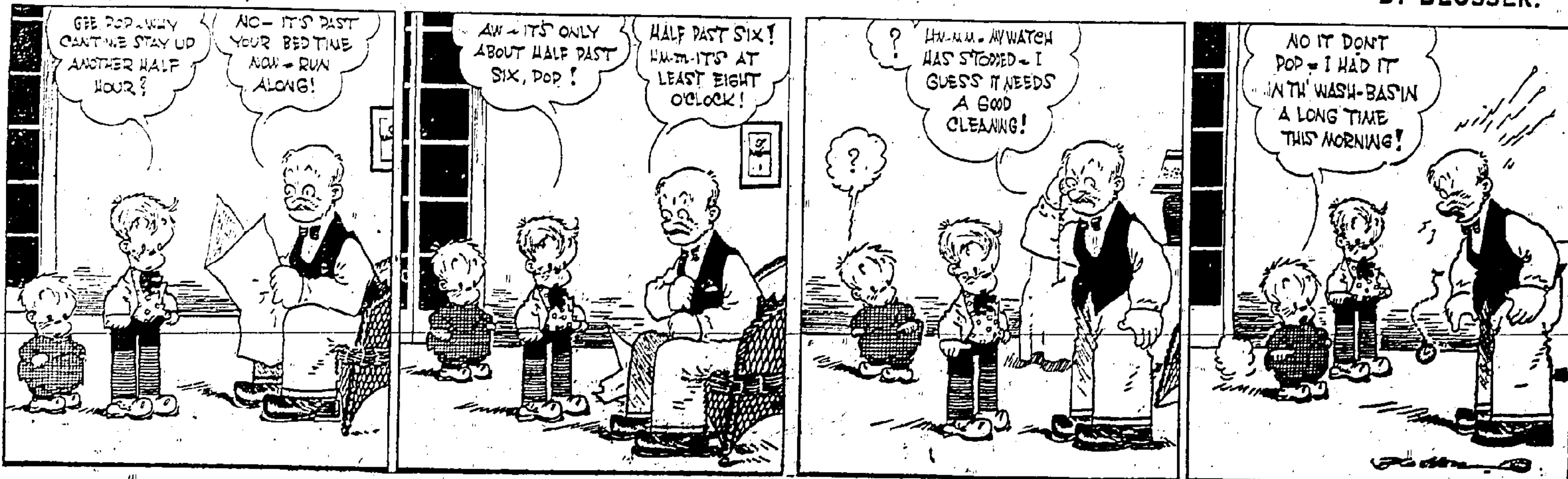
THE PEACE TREATY.

Washington, March 16. The Senate has adopted by 66 votes to 24 the substitute reservation to Article Ten recently proposed by Senator Lodge.

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TRYING TO SAVE THEMSELVES.

A short time ago, when Mr. Asquith was returned by such an overwhelming majority for Paisley, we indicated that events pointed to a very interesting development in the Home political situation. But one was hardly prepared for such news as was received on Saturday. It had been felt for a long time past that the days of the Coalition are nearly over and that we should be getting back to the competitive spirit of parties, but the new move appears to be an attempt by those politicians who have been most prominent in the Coalition group to perpetuate their association and so retain the reins of office. We are told that Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Bonar Law and Sir George Younger have agreed upon the permanent fusion of the Unionists and Coalition Liberals, with Mr. Lloyd George as the leader of the new party. Exactly.

This unquestionably constitutes one of the greatest moves in England's political history. We have formerly seen many examples of a statesman having "crossed the floor of the House," of his having changed his political faith, but one will have to go back a long time to find a precedent for this foreshadowed merging of parties who have for generations always presented the antithesis of each other. When the Great War came, and there was evident an urgent desirability of uniting all effort under a cohesive Government, the Coalition came into being, and men have been content to sacrifice many little points of principle in the interests of expediency. But with those days having gone by, it was expected that the old parties would emerge out of the hybrid collection and reassert their individuality to the general quickening and betterment of the political and administrative machine. Mr. Asquith has rightly told us that the Coalition is all but dead, and he went on to say that the only thing left to be seen was whether its final exit would come by suicide or at the hands of the executioner. The announcement made by the leaders of the new party, who are also the leaders of the Coalition, leads one to think that they are killing the Coalition as a governing body but are trying to come out themselves very much alive. Looked at either by the old-fashioned Liberal or Conservative, the proposed arrangement has very little to commend it, whilst to the more advanced Liberal and Labour school it will appear as a transparent attempt to keep the governing power in the old hands. It is all very well to give the old Coalition gang a new and high sounding title like "The National Democratic Party," but one might rightly ask what Mr. Bonar Law and his clique, born and bred in the atmosphere of conservatism, know about the real kind of democracy that the people of the Old Country are surely tending towards. Mr. Lloyd George's name might have carried conviction had he not already given evidence of a wavering on points that are righteously dear to the true democratic principle. He has thrown over with a very apparent lightness of heart all his former enthusiasm for the system of Free Trade and whilst he has been loud in his protestations against the delay in bringing in Home Rule he is now identifying himself with the very people who have proved the greatest obstructionists to the passing of that long overdue measure. The supporters of the men who were elected on the Coalition "ticket" nearly eighteen months ago will possibly have something to say regarding the continuation of the group under such terms as are now made public.

To us, who are privileged to have an outside view of what is going on, it seems as though we shall be having four parties instead of the expected three. The out-and-out Conservatives will hesitate to join the new composite group, and will possibly rally round a self-chosen central figure. The Liberals of the Asquith school will gather round their veteran leader, and Labour will certainly be as distinct a party as it always has been. Wobbling around between these three will be the new group—just a hotch-potch of the men who have no more distinctiveness of idea than a desire to follow a safe and comfortable path. There is nothing attractive about that class of man. Rather would we see a whole-hogger any day. But even presuming that the new party could come into power at an election it would have against it three other powerful groups and its working majority would be a precarious thing. Of course the same might be said of any of the other parties. Certain it is that Home politics will shape themselves into exceedingly interesting channels and before many months are passed we may be witnessing a general election which will give the answer to all these conjectures.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

PROFITTEERING.

When we read in the Home papers of protection given to tenants, shielding them from get-rich-quick landlords, and when we constantly come across cases where profiteers in foodstuffs have been heavily fined for their sins, we begin to realise how sadly behind the times Hongkong is. But not only are the authorities at Home pouncing down on the sinners—efforts are also being made to get at the root of the trouble. Committees have been appointed to deal with various trades, and their reports most illuminating. The value of these investigations lies in the fact that they are being made with a view to the taking of measures to prevent future exploitation. The latest industry dealt with is the electric lamp, which is apparently in the control of a big combination which regulates output and prices. The Committee which has reported on this industry says standard vacuum lamps now sold to the public for 3 could be sold at two-thirds of that price and still leave a satisfactory margin of profit, whilst trading discounts are also considerably higher than is necessary. Half-watt lamps sold at 12 1/2 would, we are informed, have left an ample margin of profit if disposed of at 8. These are most interesting declarations, and they serve to show how in one respect the cost of living has gone up, for electric light is in common everyday use both in households and business establishments nowadays. There seems to be a Trust at the bottom of this industry, and, whatever may be said to the contrary, there is no doubt about the fact that Trusts usually mean higher prices. Monopolies are bad for everybody concerned, saved the monopolists. That's why we hope Protection will not be adopted at Home. Tariffs are great breeders of Trusts and monopolies.

CAPITAL LEVY.

When bankers talk on matters financial they are entitled to a respectful hearing. For that reason, the opposition of British banking interests to a capital levy on war wealth is not to be passed over as though it were nothing. Neither are we justified in regarding the objection as being one merely to shield themselves from a fresh burden. The Manager of Lloyd's Bank gives it as the deliberate opinion of himself and prominent financiers and bankers that if the suggested tax is imposed the country will be in serious danger of a financial panic such as the present generation has never known. Two of the bankers' arguments are worth taking note of—one that the proposed tax would be a direct attack on the thrift of men who had stinted to invest in War Loans; and the other that traders wishing to trade as before the war now require three times as much capital as previously. There is need to go warily in this proposal, attractive and just enough though it may look at first glance. The profiteer, of course, should be made to disgorge some of his ill-gotten gains, whilst those people who have made piles through the mere accidental circumstances of the war should be got at as well. The only difficulty is that of ways and means, for unless fair and proper discrimination can be made, it would be far better for the whole idea of a capital levy to be at once abandoned.

AERIAL SMUGGLERS.

So fast is the world moving these days that what was a perfect law Monday afternoon becomes a perfect farce early Tuesday morning. The latest difficulty to contend with is the smuggling of alcoholic liquor by aeroplane, several cases being reported in America. With whisky at \$25 a quart an aeroplane soon pays for itself, and with Prohibition modified in Canada the aeroplane smuggler finds it easy. A hundred miles are to him a short hour's run; he can light anywhere in the country, unload and depart long before any mundane revenue agent can arrive. And if whisky, why not diamonds and furs and silks and narcotics and everything that is dutiable or illicit? To-day there are only a few smugglers in this flying game, but these few have so far escaped capture. However, the matter is receiving attention and it is said to be likely that there will be an aerial patrol on every border in the States within three years.

DAY BY DAY.

HYPOCRISY FLATTERS THE WEAKNESS OF MEN IN ORDER THAT IT MAY GAIN ITS OWN ENDS.—Buckle.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony on Saturday.

Mr. H. S. Bennett, the manager of the Telephone Company, leaves by the Empress of Asia.

The newly-acquired Douglas steamer Hailong, after her conversion for the coasting trade, went on a trial trip yesterday. She was alongside the Douglas wharf to-day for the first time.

The harbour looks busy at present. The big ships in port include three Blue Funnel boats, besides the Nanking, the Ecuador, the Madras, a J. C. J. L. steamer and some Shipping Board vessels.

A rumour has it that the German firm of Messrs. Jenson & Co. have engaged offices in the Sun Co's building at Canton. It is also rumoured that this firm have applied for Danish naturalisation so as to be protected under the Danish flag.—*Canton Times*.

The flotilla of sloops and gunboats and the oiler Ebonol, under the escort of the light cruiser Colombo, Captain P. Withers, has left Plymouth for Hongkong. The flotilla got a very hearty send off, and made a most imposing appearance as it steamed for the open sea.

There was a larger audience present at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night, when the Marie Tempest Company again staged "The Marriage of Kitty." His Excellency the Governor and party attended. The play was most admirably handled. Miss Tempest's acting being particularly effective. To-night and to-morrow "The Duke of Killarney" will be put on.

Lieutenant-Commander C. W. C. J. Nowell, Royal Navy, has been appointed to the Tamar, Hongkong, as Superintendent of the Chart and Chronometer Depot at Hongkong. Lieutenant-Commander Nowell joined the Royal Navy in September, 1901, was promoted Lieutenant in 1908, and reached his present rank eight years later. He saw much service in the late war.

A Chinese workman who was arrested by the Dockyard Police for the theft from the Naval Dockyard of a piece of canvas which he attempted to conceal under his jacket, was to-day sentenced at the Police Court to six weeks' hard labour. Sergt. Cockle applied also for stocks for the prisoner, on the ground that petty thefts had of late occurred with annoying frequency at the Dockyard. He wanted this form of punishment to be carried out inside the Dockyard, so as to make it serve as a deterrent to other evil-doers. The Magistrate decided to inflict the sentence of imprisonment only.

The members of the Club de Recreo yesterday afternoon showed their appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Souza to the Portuguese community during the four years he has been Consul General for Portugal in Hongkong by the presentation of a silver flower vase. The new Portuguese Consul General, Senhor C. de Albuquerque Castro, Captain E. C. Lourenco and Lieutenant L. Tigliard were among those present at the function. The President, Mr. P. Bothelo, in a few choice words, eulogised Mr. Souza's work, and asked the new Consul General to make the presentation, which he did.

On Saturday morning, a Chinese constable, acting on information previously supplied to him, went to the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, and there came upon a proceeding which was alleged to be carried out without the knowledge of the Manager of the Company. The keeper of the godown was supervising the transfer of 15 bags of rice from the building on to a truck by a number of coolies. It is alleged that to prevent arrest on a charge of theft, the godown keeper offered \$15 to the constable as a bribe. The case was brought before Mr. R. O. Hutchison at the Police Court this morning. A remand was ordered, the prisoner being admitted to bail of \$1,000.

CURRENT COIN.

("BY" "MERCATOR.")

While it was not anticipated six months ago that the trade of Hongkong during last year would reach the high total of 1918, the Trade and Shipping Returns for last year, published during the week by the Statistical Branch of the Imports and Exports Department, have afforded a splendid surprise, as the total trade was far beyond what was anticipated, principally as a result of the high exchange value of the dollar, the returns being quoted in sterling. The year's trade has not been without interesting features. Japan has continued its hold upon some lines of trade, but the anti-Japanese boycott has unquestionably been felt by Japanese exporters in a more serious way than might at first appear. Japan has a hold on the trade of Hongkong and South China in some lines which cannot be shaken off all at once by reason of the fact that it is without competition in such lines as matches, some heavy chemicals and cheap hardware. Our total imports from Japan for the year has been less than the previous year. For instance, imports from Japan last year amounted to \$9,637,777 against \$9,819,271 in 1918, while exports to Japan last year were valued at \$9,837,404, which show a considerable advance over the figures of the previous year. Exports to Japan in 1918 totalled \$494,483. China has commenced to produce some goods as well as raw materials which heretofore have come from Japan or the United States, cutting largely into the Japanese coal trade, for example, and furnishing a large portion of the flour for South China, which in pre-war days came from the United States, but more recently has come from Japan. Continued disorder in South China and the unsettled condition due both to political disturbances and unstable credits also have served to limit trade in some lines. There has been little advance in the way of new industries or of the further development of industries already established.

The general business situation in this part of the Far East is unquestionably improving. The chief drawbacks at the present time have to do with conditions in Europe, and to some extent to the United States, rather than in the Far East itself. Most Hongkong industries have been prospering, and some of them have done unusually well. The shipyards continue busy, the sugar refineries have been fortunate in having had a good supply of sugar bought at comparatively low rates to dispose of on a rising market. The increased tonnage coming here has had a stimulating effect. High exchange hampers trade, but in most lines of local development Hongkong is ready to go ahead when conditions in other parts of the world permit. The high prices at Home have been neutralised somewhat by high exchange in China. The export trade was greatly retarded by the high exchange value of the silver. Only the need of special commodities for special purposes for which the world is prepared to pay any price, together with the high prices paid everywhere for everything, made it impossible to move any considerable amount of goods. Europe failed to take from Hongkong and the Far East either the quantity of goods expected or the variety of goods offered. Shipments of food products—sugar, vegetable oils, and similar goods—and a few necessary staples form the total trade in that direction.

The dominant feature of the export trade of the Colony last year was, of course, the rice situation, which may be summed up by the statement, that in line of the great demand for rice all over the world shipment of the grain from Hongkong continued to a point where there was not enough rice on hand in the Colony to meet local needs. There was shortage of rice in the producing centres, which was felt most keenly just at the time that the situation in Hongkong became acute. The export of high grade rice from Hongkong to the United States and Central and South America continued except that a large number of shipments were stopped by the Hongkong Government. The delayed exports of rice to America (United States of America, Central America and

South America) for last year were valued at \$2,090,401, the quantity being 967,086 tons. These figures in general tell the story of the trade as a whole.

On account of the contemplated increase by the Saigon Government of the export tariff, it is now more than probable that the price of rice locally will go up; the former tariff was based on 57 cents Saigon currency per picul. If Saigon increases the export tariff on rice, it follows that we in Hongkong will have to pay more for our supplies. Again Saigon is the only source of our supply for large quantities. At the present moment the prices here are competitive with those of Saigon. After the Chinese New Year the price in Saigon began to rise. The rate rose from 5.30 to 5.50 and then to 5.80, but on account of the want of ready cash within the last few days the market dropped to 5.70 and 5.68. I am told that the new Governor-General of Indo-China is now adjusting the financial situation, and it is anticipated that additional export duty will be imposed on all shipments of rice leaving Saigon. The exchange having dropped during the last few days it makes it favourable for the European buyers, who have just come into the market, and I understand they have bought some large amounts.

The vegetable oil market has been firm, the dealers asking \$1 to \$1.50 higher within the last three days. Though the American demand has been good for the last few months, there has been a steady falling off recently. In America the quotation for peanut oil in sellers' tanks is 24 1/2 cents. There has been a big drop on the other side due to the manipulations of the big factors. Wood oil has reached high level, and there is a better demand for this commodity now than has been known for some time. The American price is 23 1/2 cents to 23 cents f.o.b. Pacific Ports. A report from New York on China wood oil mentions that the oil is in good demand. The price is held firm at 24 cents per pound.

Each year the annual bullion letter issued by Messrs. Samuel, Montagu and Company, the world's leading bullion brokers, with regard to such matters as the course of gold and silver during the year, becomes increasingly important by reason of the exhaustive character of the survey which is made of the general situation. This year the circular issued by these bankers is of special interest with regard to the particulars given concerning silver. Perhaps, however, the most interesting portion of the circular is that referring to the absorption of silver by China and India. The circular states that it is significant that the incessant demand for silver has come from the many-peopled East, fortunately free from those blighting influences which have paralysed the production of food and other vital commodities in the West. "The inhabitants of India and China are prosperous to a remarkable degree, owing to the excellent prices paid for their goods. For these they exact payment in precious metal, much of which, nay nearly all of which, does not circulate, but is hoarded not only in the country that acts as a door by which it enters Asia, but also in the great hinterland of that Continent. Will it return? No one dare prophesy. Will the flow soon cease? It is very doubtful. The forces at work are so colossal and as ponderous that it would be foolish to anticipate a sudden reversal of a movement once set in motion amongst such large masses of conservative people. The outlook would be clearer if there were grounds for hope that the Indian people would make use of paper money until silver supplies become more plentiful, but they cannot be expected to do so of their own accord. So that, given continued prosperity in India, fresh withdrawals of silver coin may deplete substantially the Indian Treasury Reserves unless fresh purchases are made for the Mint." The circular points out that relaxation of the enormous demand for remittances in precious metal, whether silver or gold, can only come when industry, disorganised by the situation in Hongkong and elsewhere, regains its elasticity, and war, regains its elasticity, and commodities can be produced and exported in sufficient quantities to reduce appreciably the external debt with which the late combatant nations are so heavily handicapped. The circular is a precious document to many bankers, and is brimful of facts and figures.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

At last we hear Senor Capablanca has been able to arrange a match with Dr. Lasker, the world's champion, but it will not be played until 1921. Chess players who have seen or read of Senor Capablanca's marvellous skill will be glad to hear that this week his book, "My Chess Career," will be published. The young Cuban player made friends wherever he went, and we shall be glad to see him again in this country.

Dr. Chalmers Mitchell, who is to accompany the Vickers-Vimy aeroplane in its attempted journey from Cairo to the Cape, is best known as the secretary to the Zoological Society. But it was almost by accident that he accepted that position, and before he went to the "Zoo" he gained distinction as a demonstrator in comparative anatomy and as a lecturer on biology. He is a writer and lecturer of charming qualities, and gifted with a keen sense of humour. When asked what kind of man should be chosen for this great adventure he replied that "a middle-aged man who was not an aeronaut or a traveller, but who had an interest in natural history and geology, the peoples and plagues of Africa, was plainly indicated." Dr. Mitchell is 55, and otherwise fills this description.

Mme. Charles Reybaud, who wrote many novels which nobody of the present generation ever reads, had one of her books plagiarised by no fewer than four different writers. In 1883 Charles Reade published a story called "The Picture in My Uncle's Dining-room." This a reviewer promptly proclaimed to be almost identical in plot and characters with a story called "The Old M'sieu's Secret," published in an old magazine. Then another critic found another story in another old magazine, entitled "Where Shall He Find Her?" the essentials of which were also much the same as those of Reade's story. Both the forgotten stories were anonymous. Both were so like each other, and so like Reade's, that it seemed impossible they should have been written independently. At last an omnivorous reader of French literature explained the mystery by pointing out that all three were based on Mme. Reybaud's "Mlle. de Malepierre." Reade had remodelled the story and deepened the interest, but the plagiarism was indisputable. The controversy aroused in the English literary world by this discovery had barely subsided when it was stirred up again in Germany. A story by Albert von Bosse published in "Ueber Land und Meer" under the title of "Das lebende Bild" proved to be "Mlle. de Malepierre" again, but this time dressed up for German readers.

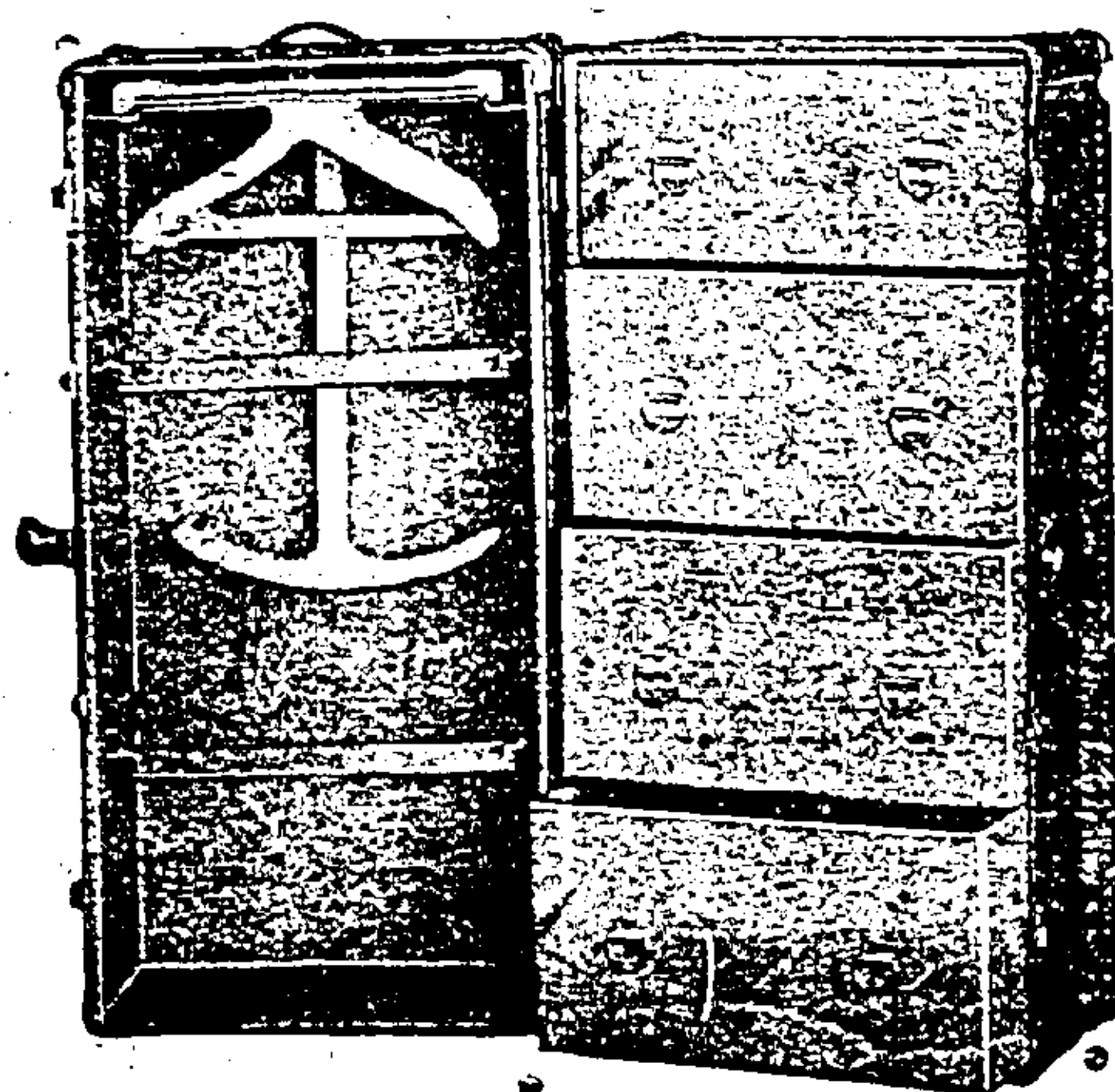
A picture which was published the other day showing the Crystal Palace in course of preparation for the British Industrial Exhibition has recalled to a correspondent who served in the R.N.V.R. memories of his early training as a bluejacket. The Palace was officially known as "H.M.S. Victory X," and no effort was spared by the Admiralty to create in the landsman's mind the impression that he was on board ship. In truth, but for its great size and the fact that it did not roll, the illusion was almost complete. The galleries ceased to be galleries; they became tops—the fore-top, the main-top, the mizzen-top. The floors were not floors, but decks; the supporting girders were "ammok racks." Men going out of the depot for a few hours "went ashore in liberty boats." It was never half-past eleven, but seven bells. From a raised platform near the North Tower the crew swung the lead (literally)—from all parts of the ship it was vigorously swung metaphorically—and beyond the North Tower they fired many imaginary rounds of heavy ammunition at phantom enemy fleets. In the Main Hall thousands of invitations to dinner and orders to alter course must have been smashed to smithereens by a sennaphore to "C.O. Zephyr"—a nautical word, that, to semaphore. We had to work hard at the Palace (adds our correspondent), but on the whole we were happy, and many a man in "Harry Tate's Navy"—as the R.N.V.R. came to be called—thought with affection of Victory X when he was standing a cold, wet night watch at sea.

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SHIELD SEMI-FINAL.

St. Joseph's, 1; Club, 0.

FRIENDLY.

Kowloon, 4; Police, 2.
Considerable interest was taken in Saturday's semi-final between Club and St. Joseph's in view of the fine game St. Joseph's had put up on the previous Saturday. The Club were still without Stewart whilst Reichelmann displaced Stalker at centre forward.

Club, losing the toss, faced a strong sun and Reichelmann set the ball going and excitement. St. Joseph's made a sensational start, the forwards bursting right through to the Club end, where Silva scored a splendid goal, a hard drive well out of Rodger's reach. The Club looked promising on the re-start, but Reichelmann was hampered by Sepher as he was getting dangerous and Hamilton put across a fine centre which was cleared by Hyndman. St. Joseph's forwards again got going and Rahmin centred very neatly, but the ball was got away. St. Joseph's were very aggressive, giving the Club defence a very hard time and the Club forwards could not get dangerous. A good chance to the Club occurred when Hyndman was hustled off the ball and Neale put just outside. St. Joseph's again broke away and shots by Silva and Hyndman were cleared by Rodger. At the interval, the Club were attacking.

On the re-start several of the Club players were showing signs of contact with the very hard ground, and the game was very fast. Rodger cleared a high dropping shot from Omar but St. Joseph's forwards were beating the Club defence on many

ten were the pick of the forwards, and the halfbacks never found their proper game. St. Joseph's dashing play probably accounting for this. The backs were variable, but Rodger played a splendid game in goal and saved two very hot attacks.

Mr. Coaker was in charge of the game.

KOWLOON V. HONGKONG POLICE.
With a view to giving the Police a preliminary run for their final in the Shield with St. Joseph's, Kowloon placed a strong team in the field in a friendly at the Club ground. Swan, the well-known local goalie who has figured with the Club and Police in former seasons, made his first appearance and will strengthen the side. Kowloon played Weyman, May and Gerrard of Club Reserves and Mason of the United, and from the start set up a warm attack. Swan punched away and Clarke cleared to the centre, but the Police forwards were checked by Wheeler, who sent well up the field for Millard to open Kowloon's account with a shot well out of the reach of the goalie. The Police made many efforts to break through the Kowloon defence, but Jackson was a brick wall and following some scrappy play in the Police half, Mitchell secured and scored with a terrific shot which rattled the rigging and was deservedly applauded. Police pluckily kept pegging away and were rewarded with a nice goal by Robertson, the interval leaving them one down.

In the second half, Rasmussen, with characteristic dash, went right through with the third goal for Kowloon and Robertson responded with a really fine goal for the Police. Rasmussen repeated his previous effort and a very interesting game ended in Kowloon's favour by 4 goals to 2. The Police are shaping better and it is very encouraging for local sport that they have stuck through the season so gamely. Another season may find them a power to be reckoned with. Swan, Knight, McWalters, Grimmett and Robertson form the nucleus of a good side. Wheeler and Mitchell played very fine football for Kowloon in the defence, and Rasmussen and Knight were the pick of a smart forward line.

QUIZ.

CRICKET.

LEAGUE MATCHES.

Craigengower beat C.R.C. in a friendly match on Saturday on the home ground. Both teams showed effects of lack of practice. Craigengower's bowling was good and Craigengower's batting made a bad day for C.R.C. particularly was unplayable. C.R.C. compiled the poor total of 52, which Craigengower reached with two wickets down. Bata batted nicely. He gave no chances and was unlikely to be caught when one off the half century. Scores:—

C.R.C.	Craigengower
N. Sze Kwong, b. Abbas	8
Shin Man Ping, b. Omar	10
Ho Wing Kin, b. Abbas	17
Un How Fan, b. Omar	0
Lo Man Pan, b. Omar	0
G. Lee, Omar	0
Choi Man Ping, b. Abbas	0
H. Chin, b. Omar	0
K.K. Wong, b. Omar	0
Chan Tin Sang, not out	0
Ma Kin Sze, b. Omar	0
Extras	2
Total	52

Bowling analysis:—	O.	M.	R.	W.
Omar	1.11	3	21	7
Abbas	1.1	1	24	3

Craigengower.	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. Bata, c. Ching b. Ho	49	—	—	—
U. Omar, b. N	13	—	—	—
S. Jax, c. Chan b. N	2	—	—	—
F.G. Thompson, b. U	13	—	—	—
Y. Abbas, c. Wong b. U	4	—	—	—
M. Abbas, l.w. U	12	—	—	—
M. Panna, not out	1	—	—	—
L.E. Lammer, did not bat	—	—	—	—
J. Goldenberg	7	—	—	—
Extras	7	—	—	—
Total for 6 wickets	491	—	—	—

Bowling analysis:—	O.	M.	R.	W.
N. Sze Kwong	9	—	31	2
G. Lee	7	—	18	—
Ho Wing Kin	7	—	2	13
Ching	4	—	1	9
Un How Fan	2.4	—	28	3

R.E. and I.A. v KOWLOON.
Royal Engineers and Indian Army defeated Kowloon without trouble. Batting first R.E. and I.A. made 151, to which Kowloon replied with 80. Scores:—

R.E. and I.A.	Kowloon
Capt. Gray, b. Stalker	5
Major Greenaway, b. Stalker	19
Lieut. Clauson, b. Stalker	13
Lieut.-Col. Taylor, b. Stalker	2

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Major Middlemas, c. Ramsay, b. Overy	20
Capt. Wahl, c. b. Stalker	10
Major Edwards, not out	38
Lieut. Hammond, c. Bagna, b. Stalker	2
Lieut. Burke, b. Overy	12
Capt. Murray, not out	1
Lieut. McCune, b. Overy	3
Extras	25
Total	151

Bowling analysis:—	O.	M.	R.	W.
Stalker	16	2	70	6
Edwards	9	0	55	0
Overy	6.2	1	17	3

Craigengower.	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. O. Brown, c. Craigengower, b. Middlemas	2	—	—	—
D. M. Goodall, b. Edwards	6	—	—	—
J. V. Bagna, c. Clauson, b. Edwards	20	—	—	—
W. T. Elson, b. Edwards	6	—	—	—
B. D. Evans, c. Hammond, b. Edwards	13	—	—	—
A. W. Ramsay, b. Edwards	19	—	—	—
J. Stalker, b. Hammond	0	—	—	—
A. de Souza, not out	2	—	—	—
W. T. Elson, b. Edwards	6	—	—	—
A. E. W. Davidson, b. Edwards	0	—	—	—
H. Overy, c. Larkeon, b. Edwards	0	—	—	—
Extras	9	—	—	—
Total	89	—	—	—

Bowling analysis:—	O.	M.	R.	W.
Major Edwards	10	1	52	7
Major Middlemas	5	0	12	2
Lieut. Hammond	4	1	7	1

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A second string of the R. N. met the second string of Civil Servants on the Navy ground on Saturday. They made 102 runs, Matthews compiling no less than 74. The Civil Service replied with 111, Fincher's 32 being the top score of his side.

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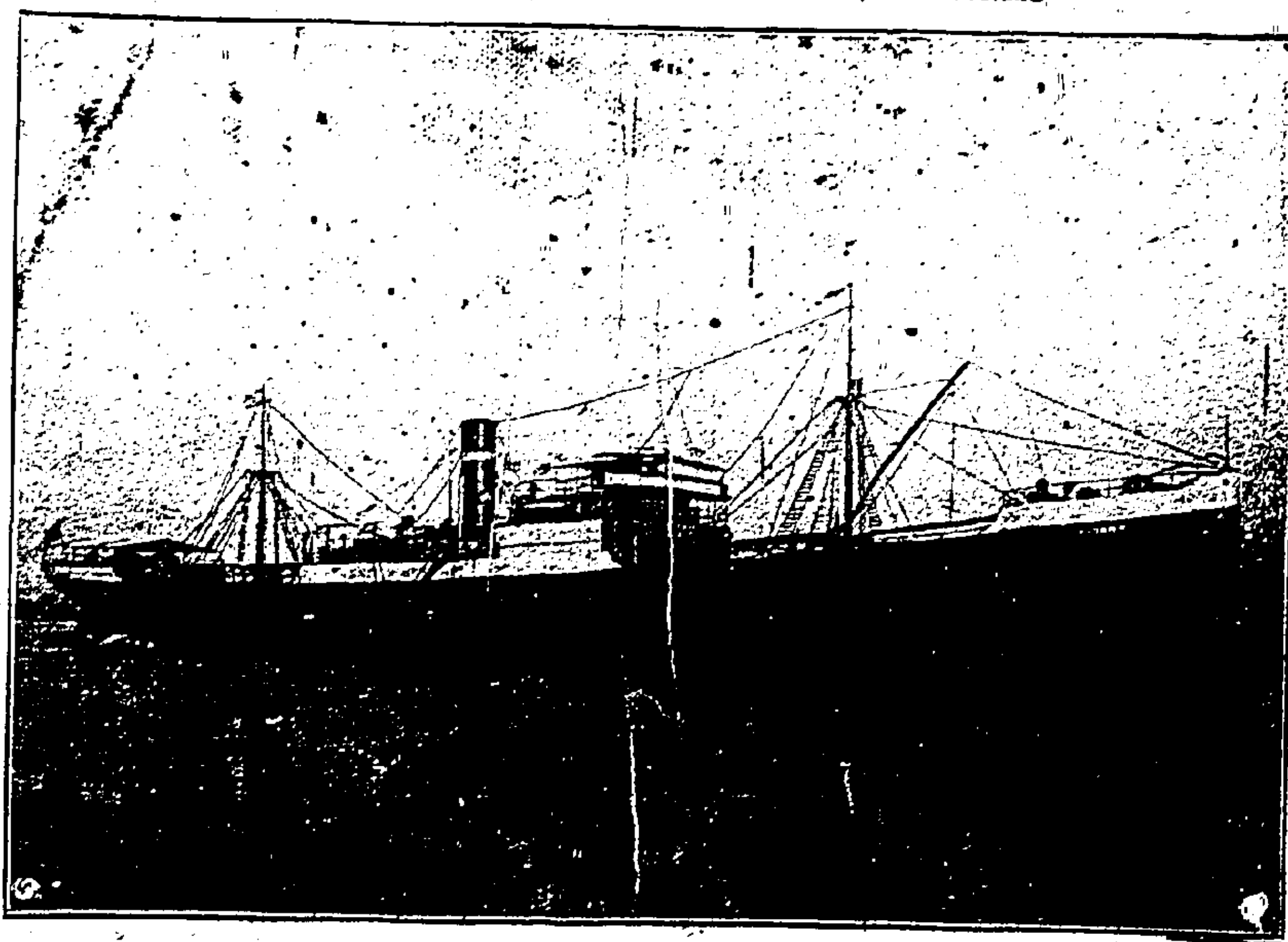
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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
BANCA (Cargo)	6,000	1st April.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
KHIVA	9,000	3rd April.	Antwerp.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

JAPAN	6,000	30th March.	Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ST. ALBANS	4,500	28th Apr.	Sandakan, Thursday Is.
EASTERN	4,000	19th May.	Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

MADRAS	7,000	23rd Mar.	Shanghai & Kobe.
NORE	6,700	2nd Apr.	Shanghai & Kobe.
SANTHIA	—	22 Mar. noon.	Kobe.

WIRELESS ON ALL STEAMERS.

Parcel Measuring not more than 2 1/2 ft. X 2 1/2 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

SEATTLE & VICTORIA via Shanghai & Japan ports.

Cargo to Overland Points U.S. in connection with Great Northern Northern Pacific, and Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railways.

KATORI MARU ... Tuesday, 13th Apr., at 11 a.m.

SUWA MARU ... Sunday, 2nd May, at 11 a.m.

LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez Port Said & Marseilles.

KAGA MARU ... Friday, 2nd Apr., at noon.

YOKOHAMA MARU ... Friday, 16th Apr., at noon.

HAMBURG, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.

DAKAR MARU ... End of April.

TSUYAMA MARU ... End of April.

LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLE via S. p. S. Suez & Port Said.

TOBA MARU ... Sunday, 11th April.

WAKASA MARU (Calling Genoa) Beginning of May.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

TANGO MARU ... Sunday, 28th Mar., at 11 a.m.

NIKKO MARU ... Wednesday, 21st Apr., at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & HAVANA via Kobe, Yokohama, Muroran, San Francisco, Panama & Colon.

GENOA MARU ... Wednesday, 7th April.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

TOSA MARU ... Tuesday, 6th April.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.

SHINZUI MARU ... Friday, 2nd April.

TAIAX MARU ... Beginning of April.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

HAKODATE MARU ... Thursday, 1st April.

RANGOON MARU ... Thursday, 8th April.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

NIKKO MARU ... Wednesday, 24th Mar., at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TAMBA MARU ... Friday, 26th Mar., at 11 a.m.

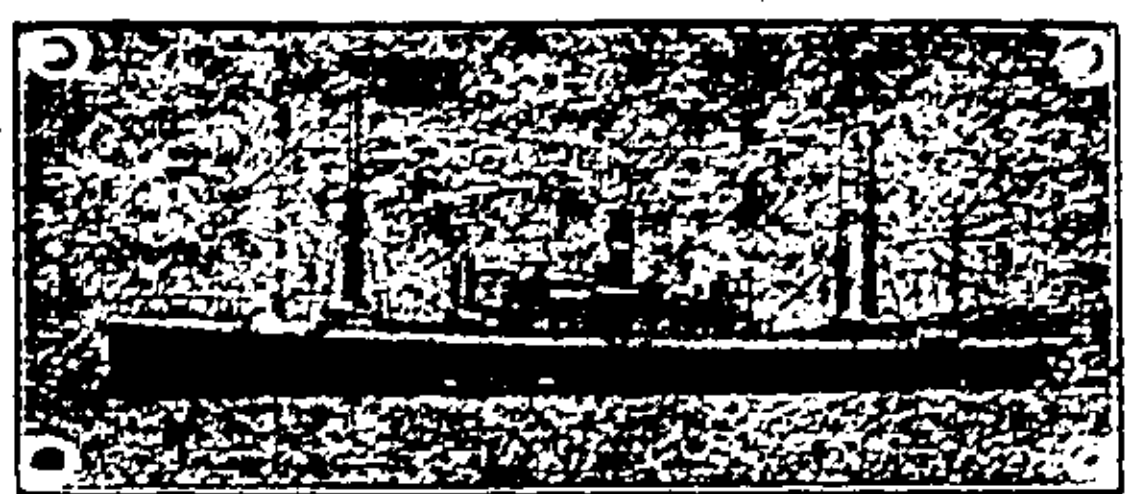
TENSHIN MARU ... Wednesday, 31st March.

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Regular Fortnightly Service between
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Steamer	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	For
Tjibodas	Java	In port	25th Mar.	Shanghai.
Tjipanas	Java	23rd Mar.	28th Mar.	Saigon.

"The steamers are all fitted throughout with electric light and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon-passengers. All steamers carry a duly qualified surgeon. Cargo taken at through rates to all ports in Netherlands-India and Australia."

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LONDON, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG—Monthly direct service via Singapore and Port Said.

"ANDES MARU" ... Wednesday, 31st March.
"HAWANA MARU" ... April. (Call Marseilles)
"HAYRE MARU" ... May. (Call Marseilles)
BOMBAY & BOMBAY—Monthly service. Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading with transshipment at Bombay to Co.'s steamer.

BUENOS AIRES—Rio de Janeiro, Santos, Mauritius, Durban and Cape Town via Singapore.

"TACOMA MARU" ... Thursday, 1st April.

"PANAMA MARU" ... Middle of May.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO—Regular fortnightly service via S'pore.

"GANGES MARU" ... Saturday, 27th March.

"BURMA MARU" ... Saturday, 10th April.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE—Monthly service taking cargo to New Zealand and Pacific Islands.

"KOSORI MARU" ... Friday, 2nd April.

SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly Service.

"UNNAY MARU" ... Thursday, 1st April.

VICTORIA & VANCOUVER—Tacoma via Manila, Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi & Yokohama.

"ARABIA MARU" (Call Shanghai) Tuesday, 6th April.

"MANILA MARU" (Call Shanghai) Tuesday, 20th April.

KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY—These steamers have excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class saloon passengers and will arrive at and depart from the O. S. K. wharf, near the Harbour Office.

AKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

"SOSHU MARU" ... Thursday, 25th March.

JAPAN PORTS—Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi & Yokohama.

For sailing dates and further particulars please apply to—

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Manager.

Tel. No. 744 and 745

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HONGKONG TO PHILIPPINES & AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
SAILING (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Steamer	Arrives Hongkong from Australia	Leaves Hongkong for Australia
CHANGSHA	27th March.	30th March.

This steamer is fitted with Refrigerating machinery, ensuring plentiful supply of ice, fresh provisions etc., and has superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. Reduced Fares. Cargo booked through to all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian ports.

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JAPAN, CHINA & STRAITS

UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT.

For	Steamer	Sailing
LONDON & ANTWERP	"CITY OF DORCH" "KAZEMBE"	27th April. 20th May.

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S.S. "INNSBRUCK"

Sailing on or about 28th March.

VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.

S.S. "PILSNA"

Sailing on or about March 29th.

NANYO YUSEN KAISHA LTD.

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Regular services between
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For JAPAN, S.S. "HIOJUN MARU"

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For JAVA, S.S. "HOKUTU MARU"

Sailing on or about 3rd April.

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INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination	Steamer	Sailing
TIENTSIN	Chipsing	Wed, 24th Mar. at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Taksang	Wed, 24th Mar. at 8 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Thur, 25th Mar. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Hangsang	Fri, 26th Mar. at d'light.
MANILA	Yuensang	Fri, 26th Mar. at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Sat, 27th Mar. at noon.
KOBE	Fooksang	Sat, 27th Mar. at 5 p.m.
KOBE	Kwalsang	Wed, 31st Mar. at 5 p.m.

CALCUTTA LINE—This line now affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and Singapore, sailing from Calcutta steamer proceed via Straits and Hongkong to Japan, Oceania, etc., calling at Shanghai.

All steamers have excellent passenger accommodation, are fitted with Electric Light and carry a fully qualified surgeon.

SHANGHAI LINE—Sailing approximately every five days between Canton and Shanghai, sometimes sailing at Swatow. Through tickets can be obtained and through Bills of Lading are issued to all Northern and Vancouver Ports via Shanghai.

MANILA LINE—A weekly service, maintained with Manila by vessels with good passenger accommodation, sailings from both ports every Friday.

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Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading for Kadal, Jesso ton, Labana, Tawau and Labas Date.

TIENTSIN LINE—A regular service in run from March to November between Hongkong and Tientsin calling at Weihaiwei and Obafao.

CALCUTTA LINE.

S.S. "LAISANG" will be despatched on or about 23rd March for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers	To Sail
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Luchow	23rd Mar. at 9 a.m.
AMOY, M'LA, CEBU & TILLOTAMING	Shantung	23rd Mar. at 4 p.m.
AMOY, SHAI & PUKOW	Shantung	23rd Mar. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Sunning	25th Mar. at noon.
CHEFOO & NEWCHWANGHUNAN	Chinua	27th Mar. at d'light.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Chenau	27th Mar. at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Chinua	30th Mar. at 9 a.m.
TIENTSIN	Huichow	30th Mar. at noon.

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Steamships	Captain	Leaving
Haiphong	W. C. Passmore	FRI, 26th Mar. at 1 p.m.
Mo Jialta (Haiphong)	Ed Walker	TUES, 23rd Mar. at 1 p.m.
Haiching	A. H. Stewart	TUES, 30th Mar. at 1 p.m.

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Sailings from Hongkong	via	Sailing
"CHARLTON HALL"	via Panama & Havana	31st March.
"JASON"	via Suez	10th April.
"CITY OF COLOMBO"	via Suez	5th May.
"EURYMACHUS"	via Panama	12th May.

Calling at Boston.

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VESSELS ARRIVED.

The s.s. TAK SANG, an Indo-China vessel, arrived yesterday from Haiphong and Hoihow with 1,459 tons of rice for Hongkong.—Mooring, C 43.

The SANTHIA, arrived here on Saturday afternoon from Bombay, with 5,836 bales of cotton for Shanghai and 1,702 tons of general merchandise for the Colony.—Mooring Kowloon Wharf.

The GABO, from Sydney consigned here yesterday a general cargo.—Mooring B 11.

From San Pedro the UNCAS, consigned to the Standard Oil Company, delivered here on Saturday 5,250 tons of fuel oil.

The NANKING, delivered here yesterday from San Francisco 1,325 tons of general merchandise. She carried 99 cabin passengers and 258 steerage passengers.—Mooring A 5.

From Philadelphia the YOSEMITE, a U. S. Shipping Board vessel consigned to the Standard Oil Co., brought on Saturday 7,500 cases of oil.

The YODO MARU, brought on Saturday 2,450 tons of coal for the Colony from Wakamatsu.—Mooring, B 31.

Coal was also delivered here by the UNTER MARU (1,421 tons) from Keelung and the FUKURI MARU (457 tons) from Tamsui.

The UNNAN MARU, an O. S. K. boat, arrived from Singapore on Saturday afternoon with 650 tons of through and 395 tons of direct cargo.—Mooring, B 7.

The s.s. METHVEN, from Vancouver came in last night with 600 tons of salt fish, steel bars, machinery, etc., and 700 tons of cigarettes, canned salmon and cigarettes.—Mooring, Kowloon Wharf.

From Saigon there came in this morning the Norwegian vessel PROSPER, with 2,410 tons of rice.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TOYOOKA M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 25th Feb. and is expected here on the 7th April.

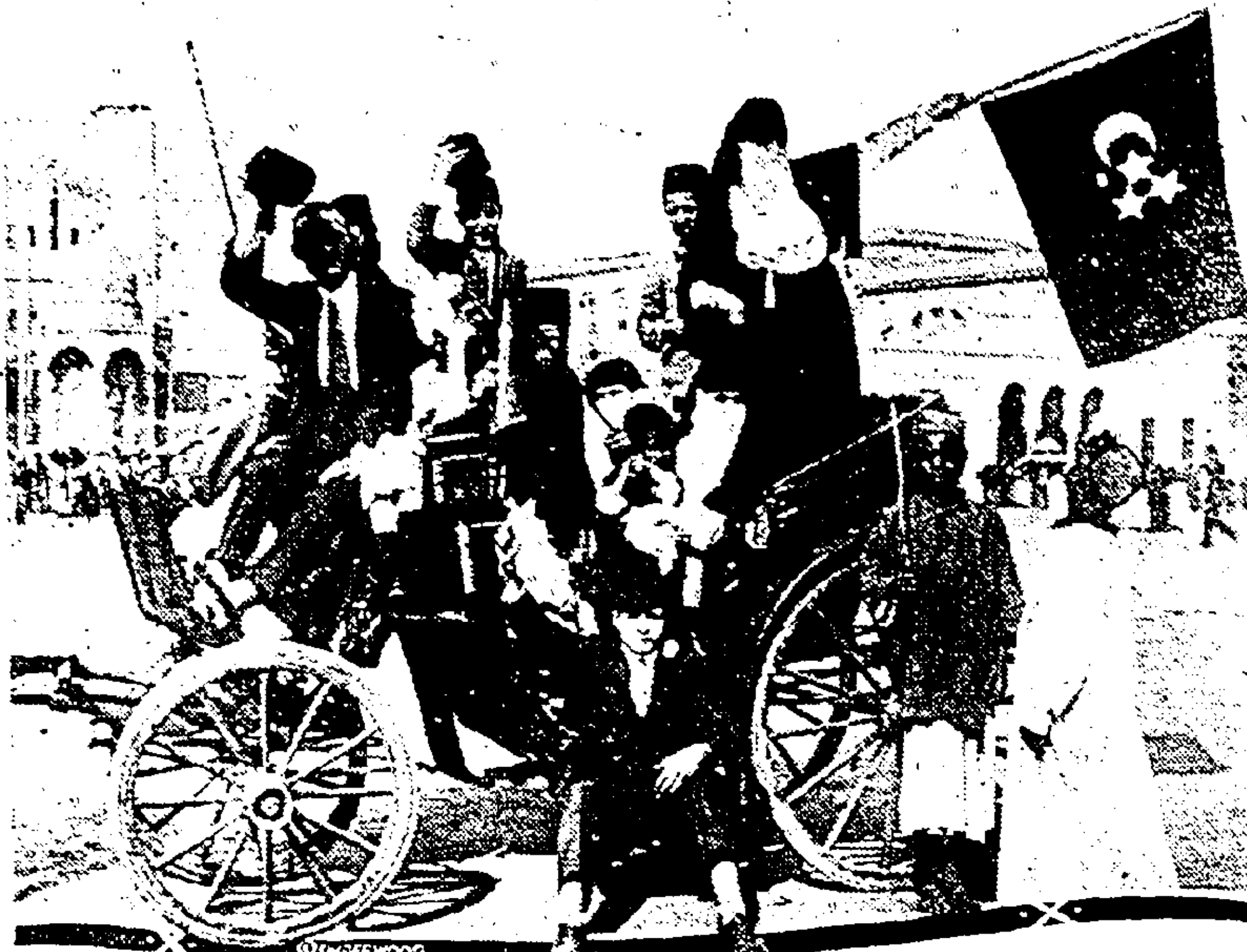
The N. Y. K. s.s. MISHIMA MARU (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on

TO-DAY'S PICTURES.



PRINCE OF WALES' RETURN.

Arrival of the Prince of Wales at Victoria Station, London, on his return from the United States.



THE EGYPTIAN UNREST.

Group in a carriage in Cairo raising a Nationalist flag.



HEAD OF SIBERIAN ARMY.

General Semenov, who recently succeeded Admiral Koltchak as head of the Siberian Army.

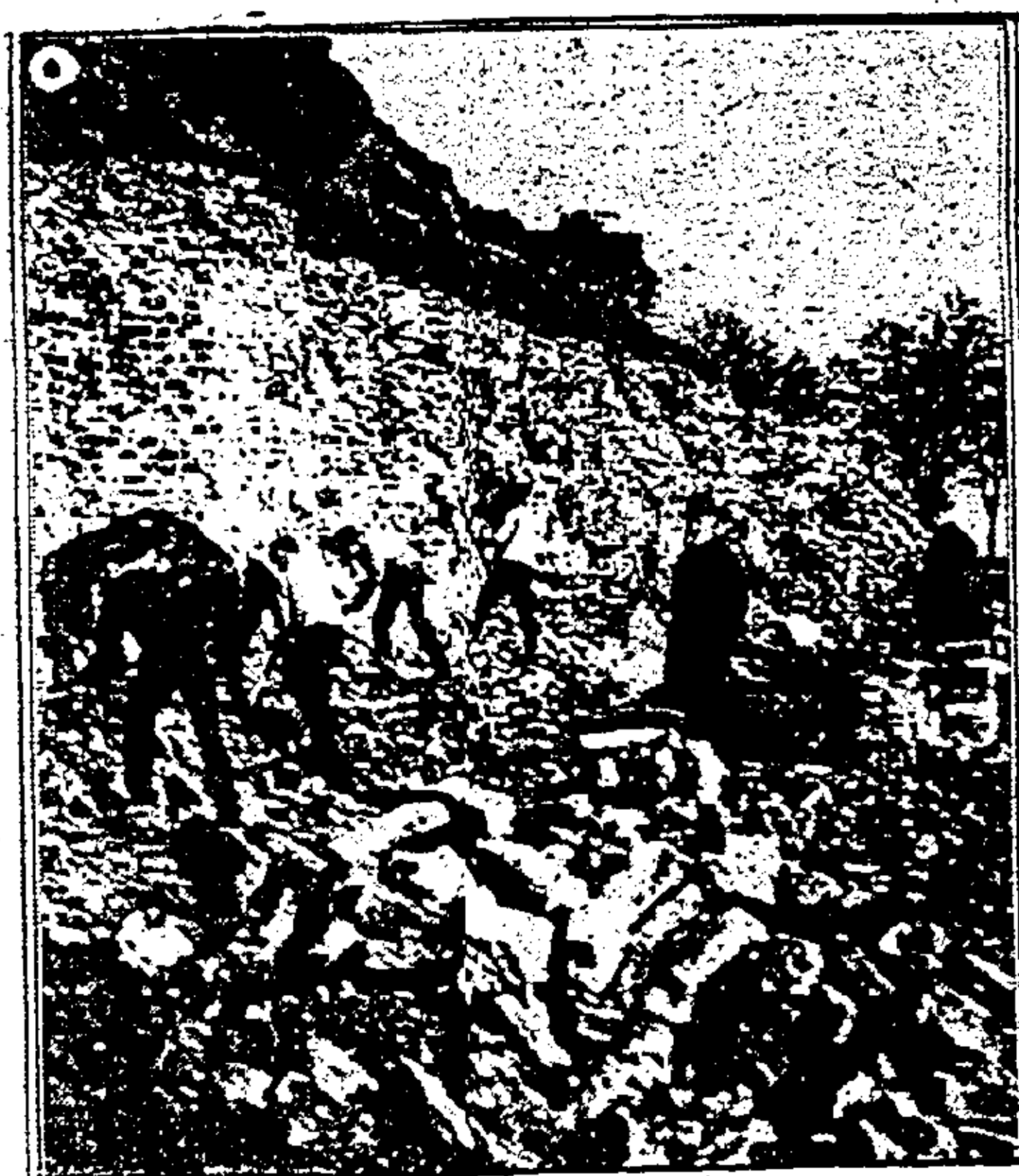


FRENCH RECONSTRUCTION.

The wooden building seen above replaced a Cathedral in France. M. Poincaré and party are seen entering the little church, erected of pine boards in a war-devastated sector near a spot where stood many beautiful Gothic shrines which fell a prey to German vandalism.



LADY JOAN CAMPBELL, who is shortly going on the London stage.



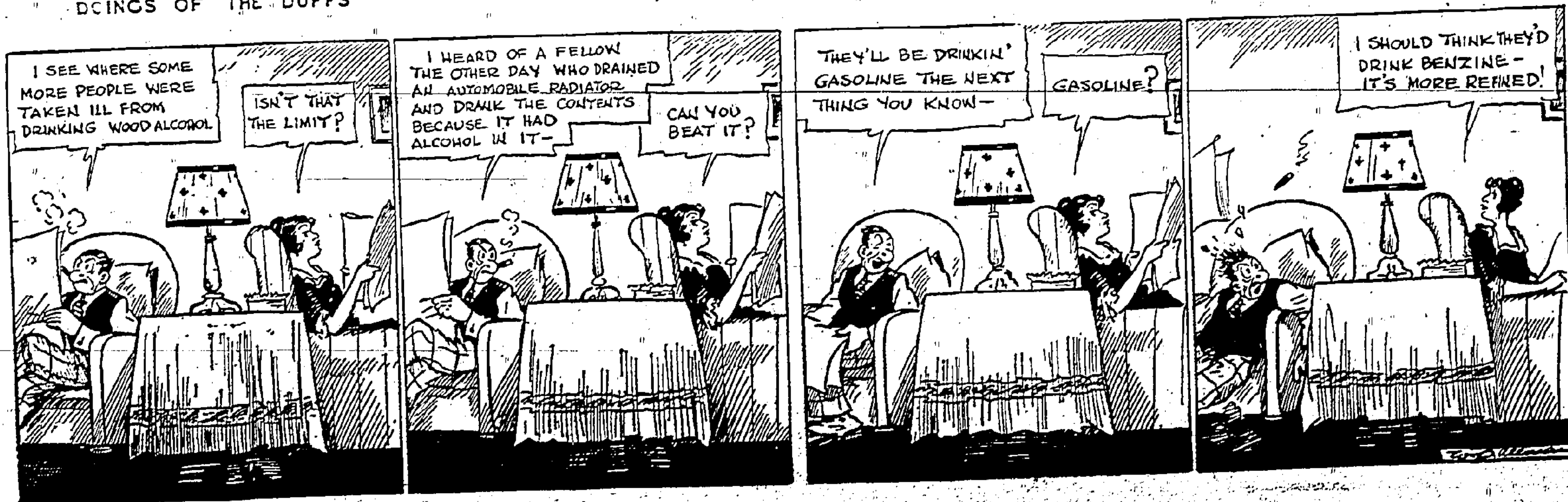
LEVELLING A GERMAN FORTRESS.

Photo shows the great Fort Kuestrin after explosion set off to facilitate the work of demolishing the pile. Kuestrin was a fortress of the first class and located in the town of the same name in Prussia. It was levelled following the mandate in the Peace Treaty.

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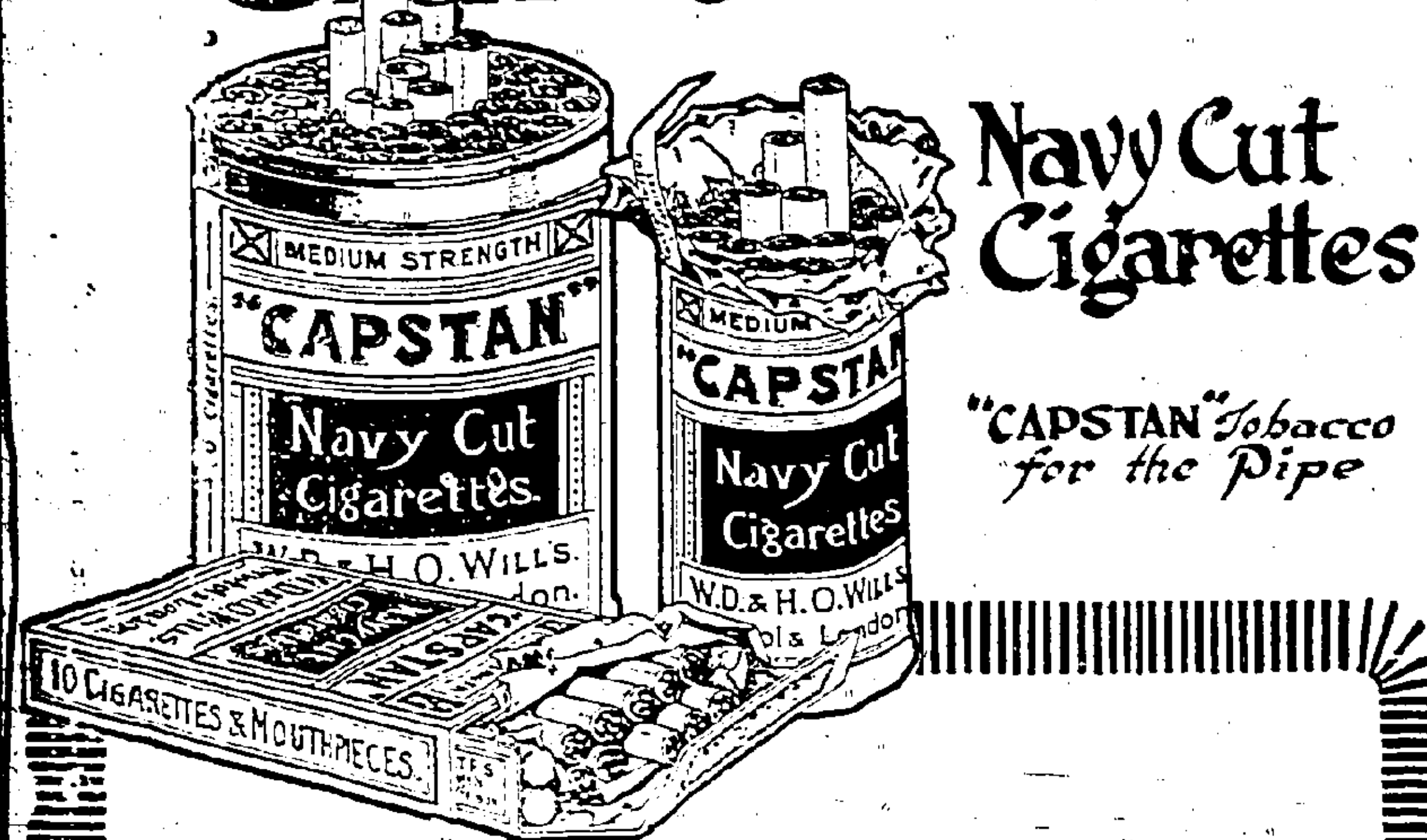
TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

1.00 a.m.	to 5.00 a.m.	Every	10 min
8.00	to 9.30 a.m.	"	10 min
9.30	to 11.00 a.m.	"	15 min
11.30	to 12.30 p.m.	"	15 min
12.30	to 2.00 p.m.	"	10 min
2.00	to 5.00 p.m.	"	15 min
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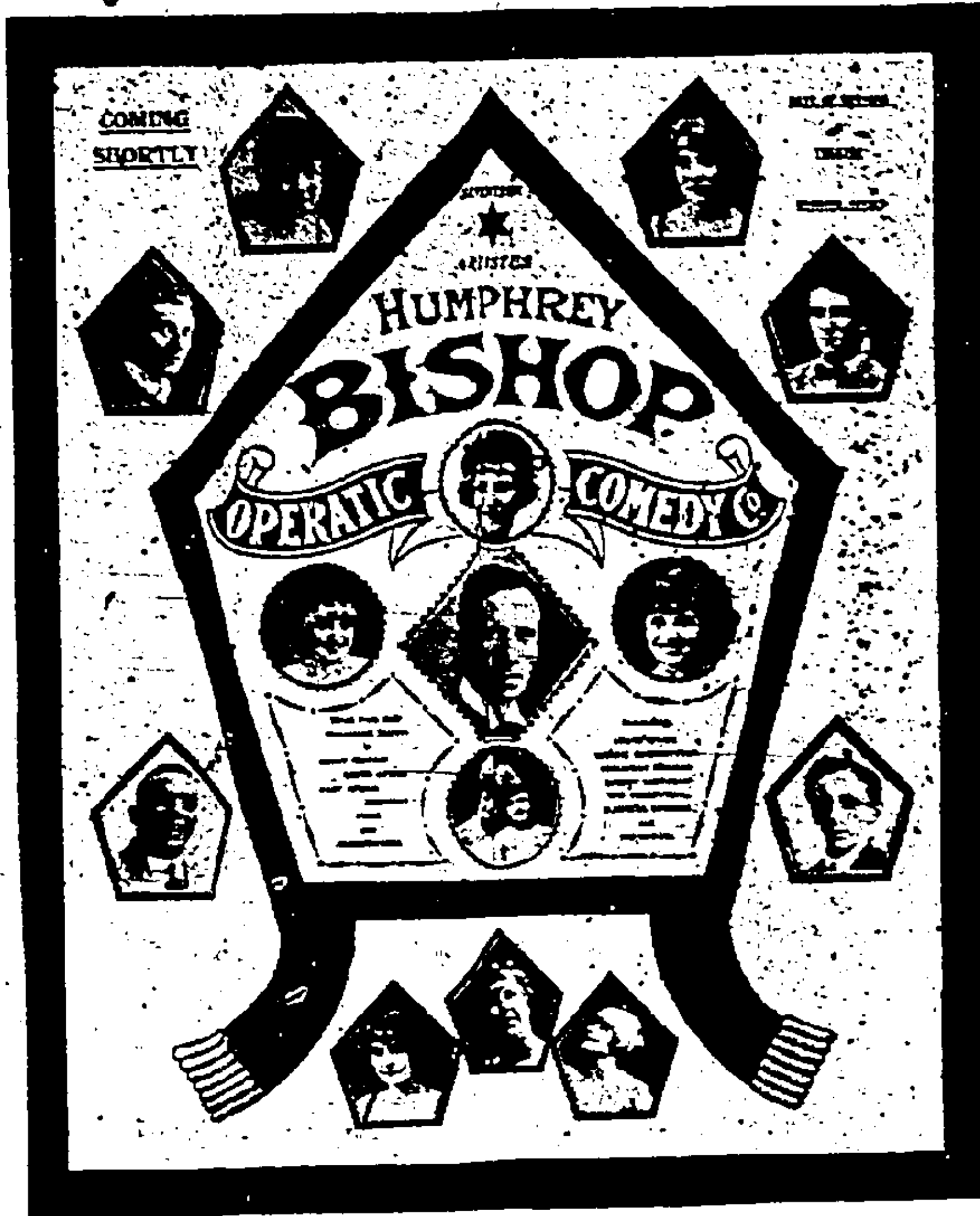
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U.S.	5/1
Demand	5/1 1/4
30 d/s	5/1 1/2
60 d/s	5/1 1/2
4 m/s	5/1 1/2
T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	219
T/T Japan	208
T/T India	217
Demand, India	217
T/T San Francisco	97
& New York	245
T/T Java	Nom.
T/T Marks	12 1/2
T/T France	12 1/2
Demand, Paris	12 1/2

BUYING.

4 m/s. L/C	5/3 1/4
4 m/s. D/P	5/3 1/2
6 m/s. L/C	5/4
30 d/s. Sydney and	5/4 1/4
Melbourne	
30 d/s. San Francisco	98 3/4
& New York	
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. France	13 1/2
6 m/s. France	13 1/4
Demand, Germany	
Demand, New York	97 1/2
T/T Bombay	217
Demand, Bombay	
T/T Calcutta	217
Demand, Calcutta	
Demand, Manila	196
Demand, Singapore	219
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	Nom.
On Bangkok	41 1/2
Sovereign	3 90 Nom.
Gold leaf per Tael	29
Buy Silver, ready	72 1/2
1- forward	73
New York/London	3 80

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of rebuilding.)

TO-DAY'S SHARE
QUOTATIONS.

OFFICIAL PRICES

Banks.

H.K. & S. Banks	sa.	\$589
Marine Insurances.		
Cantons	b.	435
North China	n.	t. 160
Unions	sa.	180 1/2
Yangtzes	n.	230
Far Easterns	n.	t. 19

Fire Insurances.

China Fires	n.	138
H. K. Fires	b.	310
Shipping.		
Douglases	n.	85
H.K. Steamboats	b.	20
Indos (Ref.)	n.	20
Indos (Def.)	b.	208
Shells	n.	225 1/2
Ferries	b.	25

Refineries.

Sugars	b.	206
Malabons	n.	41

Mining.

Kailans	n.	151 1/2
Langkats	n.	
Shanghai Loans	n.	17 1/4
Shai Explorations	n.	
Raubs	n.	1
Tronohs	n.	55 1/2
Ural Caspians	sa.	38 1/2

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.

H.K. Wharves	sa.	84
K. Docks	s. & sa.	154
Shai Docks	b.	119
N. Engineerings	b. cum div. t.	39

Lands, Hotels & Buildings.

Centrals	n.	107
H.K. Hotels	n.	130
L. Invest	n.	107
H'phreys Est.	n.	7
K'loon Lands	n.	50
L. Reclamations	n.	133
West Points	n.	58

Cotton Mills.

Ewos	n.	t. 660
Kung Yiks	n.	t. 64
Lau King Mows	n.	t. 425
Oriental	n.	t. 310
Shai Cottons	n.	t. 365
Yangtsepoos	n.	t. 43

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

WEDNESDAY, March 24th.

TEA DANCING

from 4 to 7 p.m.

DINNER DANCE

from 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, March 27th.

TEA DANCING

from 4 to 7 p.m.

DINNER DANCE

from 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, March 28th.

Orchestral Concerts During
Tiffin and Afternoon Tea.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous.	Day On date	On date.
	at 2 p.m.	at 5 a.m. at 8 p.m.
Barometer	29.88	29.87 29.86
Temperature	72	66 64
Humidity	+1	91 88
Wind Direction	E.N.E.	E. E.
Force	3	2 3
Weather	o	of o
Rain	0.00	0.00 0.00
Highest open air Temperature on the		21st 72
lowest		2nd 65
H.K. Observatory, Mar. 23, 1920.		
T. F. CLAXTON Director.		

Miscellaneous.

Cements	b. ex div.	6.45
China Borneos	n.	17
Do. Light old sa.	7 1/4 new b	5 1/4
China Providents	b.	8
Dairy Farms	b.	21 1/2
Electric H.K.	s.	88 c.r.
Electric Macao	n.	34
Hongkong Ropes	s.	25
Hk. Tramways	b.	6 1/4
Peak Trams, old	s.	6.90
Do. new	n.	80 cts.
Steam Laundries	b.	3 1/2
Steel Foundries	n.	10
Water-boats	b.	11 1/2
Watsons	s.	6.20
Wm. Fowells	b.	15
Wisemans	b.	27 1/2

Hongkong, Mar. 22, 1920.

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